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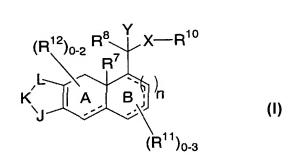
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(57) Abstract: The present invention encompasses compounds of Formula I: (I) or pharmaceutically acceptable salts or hydrates thereof, which are useful as selective glucocorticoid receptor ligands for treating a variety of autoimmune and inflammatory diseases or conditions. Pharamaceutical compositions and methods of use are also included.

# 1H-BENZO[F]INDAZOL-5-YL DERIVATIVES AS SELECTIVE GLUCOCORTICOID RECEPTOR MODULATORS

### BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Intracellular receptors (IR's) are a class of structurally related proteins involved in the regulation of gene expression. The steroid hormone receptors are a subset of this superfamily whose natural ligands are typically comprised of endogenous steroids such as estradiol, progesterone, and cortisol. Man-made ligands to these receptors play an important role in human health and, of these receptors, the glucocorticoid receptor has an essential role in regulating human physiology and immune response. Steroids that interact with the glucocorticoid receptor have been shown to be potent antfinflammatory agents. The present invention is directed to a novel class of compounds that are selective glucocorticoid receptor modulators that have potent ani-inflammatory and immunosupresive activity and possess advantages over steroidal glucocorticoid ligands with respect to side effects, efficacy, toxicity and/or metabolism.

### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention encompasses compounds of Formula I:

$$(R^{12})_{0-2}$$
  $R^{8}$   $X - R^{10}$   $X -$ 

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or pharmaceutically acceptable salts or hydrates thereof, which are useful as selective glucocorticoid receptor ligands for treating a variety of autoimmune and inflammatory diseases or conditions. Pharamaceutical compositions and methods of use are also included.

### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The present invention encompasses a compound represented by Formula I

$$(R^{12})_{0-2} R^{8} X - R^{10}$$
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

10 n is 0, 1 or 2;

J is selected from  $NR^1$  or  $C(R^1)(R^2)$ ;

K is selected from  $NR^3$  or  $C(R^3)(R^4)$ ;

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L is selected from  $NR^5$  or  $C(R^5)(R^6)$ ;

X is a bond, 
$$-C(O)$$
,  $-N(R^{14})$ -,  $-N(R^{14})$ - $C(O)$ -, or  $-\frac{3}{5}$ 

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 $R^1,\,R^8$  and  $R^{10}$  are each independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (2) C2-6alkenyl,
- (3) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
- (4) C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl,
  - (5)  $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy,
  - (6)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
  - (7) aryl,
  - (8) aralkyl,

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(9)
                                HET,
                       (10)
                                -C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl-HET,
                        (11)
                                aryloxy,
                        (12)
                                aroyloxy,
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                        (13)
                                aralkenyl,
                        (14)
                                aralkynyl,
                        (15)
                                hydrogen,
                                hydroxy and
                        (16)
                                C_{1-6}alkyl-N(R^{14})-S(O)_k-, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
                        (17)
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      wherein items (1) to (6) above and the alkyl portions of items (8), (10) and (17) above
      and the alkenyl portion of item (13) above and the alkynyl portion of item (14) above
      are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable
      positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,
      OR<sup>13</sup>, N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>-6cycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl-S(O)<sub>k</sub>- and aryl-S(O)<sub>k</sub>-, wherein k is 0, 1
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      or 2, and
      wherein items (7), (9), (11) and (12) above and aryl portion of items (8), (13) and (14)
      above and the HET portion of item (10) above are optionally substituted from one up
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      to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently
      selected from the group consisting of:
                                        halo,
                                (a)
                                        OR13,
                                (b)
                                        N(R^{14})_{2}
                                (c)
                                        C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl,
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                                (d)
                                (e)
                                        C<sub>2</sub>-6alkenyl,
                                (f)
                                        C<sub>3</sub>-6akynyl,
                                (g)
                                        C_{1-6}alkyl-S(O)_{k-}, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
                                (h)
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                                (i)
                                         aryl-S(O)_{k-}, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
                                (j)
                                        HET,
                                         aralkyl,
                                (k)
                                (1)
                                         aroyl,
                                (m)
                                         aryloxy,
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                                         aralkoxy and
                                (n)
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(o) CN,

wherein items (d) to (g) above and the alkyl portions of item (k) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $N(R^{14})_2$ , and

wherein items (h), (i), (j), (l) and (m) above and the aryl portions of items (k) and (n) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR 13 and C1-4alkyl,

or when X is a bond then R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> may be joined together to form a 4- to 8-membered monocylic ring, optionally containing 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and NR<sup>14</sup>, and optionally containing 1 or 2 double bonds;

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 $R^2$ ,  $R^3$ ,  $R^4$ ,  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  are each independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) hydrogen,
- (2) halo,
- 20 (3)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,
  - (4) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
  - (5) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
  - (6) C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl,
  - (7) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy,
  - (8)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
    - (9) aryl,
    - (10) aralkyl,
    - (11) HET and
    - (12) -C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl-HET,

wherein items (3) to (8) above and the alkyl portions of items (10) and (12) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup>, N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl-S(O)<sub>k</sub>-, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2; and

wherein items (9) and (11) and the aryl portion of items (10) and the HET portion of item (12) are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:

5 (a) halo,

- (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,
- (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,
- (d) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (e) C2-6alkenyl,
- (f) C3-6akynyl and
- (g)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,

wherein items (d) to (g) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>,

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or R1 and R3 or R3 and R5 may be joined together to form a double bond;

 $R^7$  is selected from the group consisting of:

- 20 (1) hydrogen,
  - (2)  $OR^{13}$ ,
  - (3) C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl,
  - (4) aryl and
  - (5) aralkyl,
- wherein item (3) above and the alkyl portion of item (5) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $N(R^{14})_2$ , and
- wherein item (4) above and the aryl portion of item (5) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) halo,
  - (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,

35 (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,

- (d) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (e) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl and
- (f) C3-6akynyl,

wherein items (d) to (f) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the
maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected
from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>;

Y is selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) hydrogen,
- 10 (2)  $-O-R^9$ ,
  - (3)  $-S(O)_k-R^9$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
  - (4) -C-W-R<sup>9</sup>, wherein W is O or  $S(O)_k$ ,
  - (5)  $-N(R^{15})2$ ,
  - (6)  $-S(O)_k-N(R^{15})_2$ ,
- 15  $(7) -N(R^{15})-S(O)k-N(R^{15})_2$ ,
  - (8) NO<sub>2</sub>,
  - (9)  $-C(O)-R^{15}$ ,
  - (10)  $-C(O)O-R^{15}$ ,
  - (11) -CN,
- 20 (12) halo and
  - (13)  $-O-S(O)_k-R^{15}$ ,

R<sup>9</sup> is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C<sub>1-12</sub>alkyl and aryl, wherein C<sub>1-12</sub>alkyl and aryl are optionally substituted from one up to the
25 maximum number of substituents with halo, or when Y is OR<sup>9</sup> then R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> may be joined together to form a carbonyl group;

each  $R^{11}$  and  $R^{12}$  is independently selected from the group consisting

30 (1) halo,

of:

- (2) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (3) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- (4) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy and
- (5) hydroxy,

wherein items (2) to (4) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{12}$ ,  $N(R^{13})_2$  and  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2;

each  $R^{13}$  and  $R^{14}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl and  $C_{2-4}$ alkenyl, each of said  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl and  $C_{2-4}$ alkenyl optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy, aryl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2;

each R<sup>15</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, aryl and C<sub>1-12</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, wherein said C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1-12</sub>alkoxycarbonyl are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituable positions with halo and said aryl is optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituable positions with halo and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups; and

HET is a 5- to 10-membered aromatic, partially aromatic or non-aromatic mono- or bicyclic ring, containing 1-4 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, and optionally substituted with 1-2 oxo groups.

An embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula

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$$(R^{12})_{0-2} \xrightarrow{R^8} X - R^{10}$$
 $(R^{12})_{0-2} \xrightarrow{R^7} x - R^{10}$ 
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

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n is 0, 1 or 2;

J is selected from  $NR^1$  or  $C(R^1)(R^2)$ ;

5 K is selected from  $NR^3$  or  $C(R^3)(R^4)$ ;

L is selected from NR5 or  $C(R^5)(R^6)$ ;

X is a bond, 
$$-C(O)$$
,  $-N(R^{14})$ -,  $-N(R^{14})$ - $C(O)$ -, or  $-\frac{2}{5}$ 

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 $R^{1},\,R^{8}\mbox{ and }R^{10}$  are each independently selected from the group

consisting of:

- (1)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,
- (2) C2-6alkenyl,
- 15 (3) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
  - (4) C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl,
  - (5) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy,
  - (6)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
  - (7) aryl,
- 20 (8) aralkyl,
  - (9) HET,
  - (10)  $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl-HET,
  - (11) aryloxy,
  - (12) aroyloxy,
  - (13) aralkenyl,
  - (14) aralkynyl,
  - (15) hydrogen,
  - (16) hydroxy and

wherein items (1) to (6) above and the alkyl portions of items (8) and (10) above and the alkenyl portion of item (13) above and the alkynyl portion of item (14) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup>, N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl and C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl-S(O)<sub>k</sub>-, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2, and

wherein items (7), (9), (11) and (12) above and aryl portion of items (8), (13) and (14) above and the HET portion of item (10) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:

	(a)	halo,
	(b)	OR13,
	(c)	$N(R^{14})_2$ ,
	(d)	C <sub>1-6</sub> alkyl,
10	(e)	C <sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl,
	(f)	C <sub>3-6</sub> akynyl,
	(g)	$C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
	(h)	aryl,
	(i)	aryl- $S(O)_{k}$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
15	(j)	HET,
	(k)	aralkyl,
	(1)	aroyl,
	(m)	aryloxy,
	(n)	aralkoxy and
20	(o)	CN,

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wherein items (d) to (g) above and the alkyl portions of item (k) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $N(R^{14})_2$ , and

wherein items (h), (i), (j), (l) and (m) above and the aryl portions of items (k) and (n) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl,

or when X is a bond then  $R^8$  and  $R^{10}$  may be joined together to form a 4- to 8-membered monocylic ring, optionally containing 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and NR<sup>14</sup>, and optionally containing 1 or 2 double bonds;

R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> are each independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) hydrogen,
- (2) halo,
- (3) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,

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- (4) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- (5) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
- (6) C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl,
- (7) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy,
- (8)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
  - (9) aryl,
  - (10) aralkyl,
  - (11) HET and
  - (12) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl-HET,
- wherein items (3) to (8) above and the alkyl portions of items (10) and (12) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$ ,  $N(R^{14})_2$  and  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2; and
- wherein items (9) and (11) and the aryl portion of items (10) and the HET portion of item (12) are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) halo,
  - (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,
  - (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,
  - (d) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
  - (e) C2-6alkenyl,
  - (f) C3-6akynyl and
- 30 (g)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,

wherein items (d) to (g) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>,

or R1 and R3 or R3 and R5 may be joined together to form a double bond;

R<sup>7</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

(1) hydrogen,

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- (2)  $OR^{13}$ ,
- (3)  $C_{1-4}alkyl$ ,
- (4) aryl and
- (5) aralkyl,
- wherein item (3) above and the alkyl portion of item (5) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $N(R^{14})_2$ , and
- wherein item (4) above and the aryl portion of item (5) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) halo,
  - (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,
  - (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,
  - (d) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
  - (e) C2-6alkenyl and
  - (f) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,

wherein items (d) to (f) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the
maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected
from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>;

Y is selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) hydrogen,
- (2)  $-O-R^9$ ,
- (3)  $-S(O)_k-R^9$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
- (4) -C-W-R<sup>9</sup>, wherein W is O or  $S(O)_k$ ,
- (5)  $-N(R^{15})2$ ,
- (6)  $-S(O)_k-N(R^{15})_2$ ,

(7)  $-N(R^{15})-S(O)k-N(R^{15})_2$ ,

- (8) NO<sub>2</sub>,
- (9) -C(O)-R15,
- (10) -C(O)O-R<sup>15</sup>,
- (11) -CN,
  - (12) halo and
  - (13)  $-O-S(O)_k-R^{15}$ ,

R<sup>9</sup> is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C<sub>1-12</sub>alkyl and aryl, wherein C<sub>1-12</sub>alkyl and aryl are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituents with halo, or when Y is OR<sup>9</sup> then R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> may be joined together to form a carbonyl group;

each R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting

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- (1) halo,
- (2) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (3) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- (4) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy and
- 20 (5) hydroxy,

wherein items (2) to (4) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{12}$ ,  $N(R^{13})_2$  and  $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or

25 2;

each  $R^{13}$  and  $R^{14}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl, optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with halo; and

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each R<sup>15</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl, aryl and C<sub>1</sub>-12alkoxycarbonyl, wherein said C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-12alkoxycarbonyl are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituable positions with halo and said aryl is optionally substituted from one up to

the maximum number of substituable positions with halo and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups.

The optional double bond shown in ring A of the compound of Formula I is depicted as a dotted line and means that the double bond may or may not 5 be present as shown below:

is present in ring A

is not present in ring A

The substituent R12 in Formula I may or may not be present. When 10 present, one or two R12 groups may occupy the following positions:

Two R12 groups may reside on the same carbon atom.

The substituent  $R^{11}$  in Formula I may or may not be present. When 15 present, one, two or three R11 groups may occupy the following positions:

Two  $R^{11}$  groups may reside on the same carbon atom.

The optional double bonds show in ring B of the compound of Formula I may occupy the following positions:

n=2

$$(R^{12})_{0-2} \xrightarrow{R^8} X \xrightarrow{R^{10}} R^{10}$$
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 
 $n=0$ 

$$(R^{12})_{0-2} R^{8} X - R^{10}$$
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 

$$(R^{12})_{0-2}$$
  $R^{8}$   $X - R^{10}$   $R^{7}$   $A$   $B$   $(R^{11})_{0-3}$   $n=1$ 

$$(R^{12})_{0-2} \xrightarrow{R^8} X - R^{10}$$
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 
 $n=1$ 

$$(R^{12})_{0-2}$$
  $R^{8}$   $X - R^{10}$   $R^{10}$   $R^{11})_{0-3}$   $R^{11}$ 

$$(R^{12})_{0-2} R^{8} X - R^{10}$$
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 
 $n=1$ 

$$(R^{12})_{0-2}$$
 $R^7$ 
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 

$$R^{8}$$
  $X - R^{10}$   $(R^{12})_{0-2}$   $R^{7}$   $(R^{11})_{0-3}$   $n=2$ 

$$R^{8}$$
  $X - R^{10}$   $R^{12}$   $R^{7}$   $R^{10}$   $R^{12}$   $R^{7}$   $R^{10}$   $R^{11}$   $R^{11}$ 

$$(R^{12})_{0-2}$$
 $R^7$ 
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 

$$R^{8}$$
  $X - R^{10}$   $(R^{12})_{0-2}$   $R^{7}$   $(R^{11})_{0-3}$   $n=2$ 

$$R^{8}$$
  $X - R^{10}$   $R^{12}$   $R^{7}$   $R^{7}$   $R^{10}$   $R^{11}$   $R^{11}$ 

### J, K and L as defined in Formula I mean, for example, the following

structures:  $(R_{\cdot}^{12})_{0-2}$  $R^5$  $R^4$ R<sup>2</sup> `R<sup>1</sup> (R<sup>11</sup>)<sub>0-3</sub> R<sup>2</sup> (R<sup>11</sup>)<sub>0-3</sub> (R<sup>11</sup>)<sub>0-3</sub>  $R^2$  $(R_{i}^{12})_{0-2}$  $(R_{\cdot}^{12})_{0-2}$  $(R_1^{12})_{0-2}$ X—R<sup>10</sup>  $R^4$  $R^4$ ВЗ (R<sup>11</sup>)<sub>0-3</sub> R<sup>1</sup>  $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ (R<sup>11</sup>)<sub>0-3</sub> `R<sup>1</sup> (R<sup>11</sup>)<sub>0-3</sub> R<sup>2</sup> (R<sup>11</sup>)<sub>0-3</sub>  $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 

When X is a bond then  $R^8$  and  $R^{10}$  may be joined together to form a 4- to 8-membered monocylic ring, optionally containing 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and  $NR^{14}$ , and optionally containing 1 or 2 double bonds, which means, for example, the following:

These compounds can be made, for example, by following the procedures outlined in J. Am. Chem. Soc., vol. 118, 100-110, 1996 and J. Am. Chem Soc., vol. 115, p.9856-9924, 1993, which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.

When Y is  $OR^9$  then  $R^8$  and  $R^9$  may be joined together to form a carbonyl group, which means the following:

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$$(R^{12})_{0-2}$$
 $(R^{12})_{0-2}$ 
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 

When X is  $-N(R^{14})-C(O)$ - the group is attached as follows:

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Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula I wherein:

10 J is  $NR^1$ ;

K is NR<sup>3</sup>;

L is  $C(R^5)(R^6)$ ; and

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 ${\rm R}^3$  and  ${\rm R}^5$  are joined together to form a double bond.

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula I wherein the optional double bond shown in ring A of the compound of Formula I is present.

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula I wherein  $\mathbb{R}^1$  is aryl or HET, said aryl or HET optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:

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5	(a)	halo,
	(b)	OR13,
	(c)	$N(R^{14})_2$ ,
	(d)	C <sub>1-6</sub> alkyl,
	(e)	C <sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl,
10	(f)	C <sub>3-6</sub> akynyl,
	(g)	$C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k}$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
	(h)	aryl,
	(i)	aryl- $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
	(j)	HET,
15	(k)	aralkyl,
	(1)	aroyl,
	(m)	aryloxy,
	(n)	aralkoxy and
	(o)	CN,

- wherein items (d) to (g) above and the alkyl portions of item (k) are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $N(R^{14})_2$ , and
- wherein items (h), (i), (j), (l) and (m) above and the aryl portions of items (k) and (n) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl.

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 $\label{thm:compassed} Within this embodiment of the invention is encompassed a compound of Formula I wherein R^1 is phenyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups.$ 

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula I wherein Y is  $OR^9$ . Within this embodiment of the invention is encompassed a compound of Formula I wherein  $R^9$  is hydrogen.

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula I wherein R<sup>7</sup> is methyl.

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula I wherein R<sup>8</sup> is hydrogen or methyl.

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Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula I wherein X is a bond.

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula I wherein  $R^{10}$  is selected from the group consisting of:

- (1)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,
- (2) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- (3) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
- (4) C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl,
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- (5)  $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy,
- (6)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,

wherein items (1) to (6) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$ ,  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl and  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ ,

25 wherein k is 0, 1 or 2.

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula I wherein  $R^{10}$  is selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) phenyl
- (2) naphthyl,
  - (3) benzyl,
  - (4) phenethyl,
  - (5) phenoxy,
  - (6) benzoyl and
- 35 (7) benzoyloxy,

wherein the aryl portions of items (1) to (7) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:

(a) halo, OR13. 5 (b)  $N(R^{14})_{2}$ (c) C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl, (d) C2-6alkenyl, (e) (f) C3-6akynyl,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2, 10 (g) aryl. (h)  $aryl-S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2, (i) (j) HET, (k) aralkyl, 15 aroyl, (1)(m) aryloxy, aralkoxy and (n)

CN,

wherein items (d) to (g) above and the alkyl portions of item (k) are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and N(R<sup>14</sup>)2, and

wherein items (h), (i), (j), (l) and (m) above and the aryl portions of items (k) and (n) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR 13 and C1-4alkyl.

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula I wherein R<sup>10</sup> is HET or -C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl-HET wherein HET is selected from the group consisting of:

(1) pyridine,

(o)

- (2) thiophene and
- (3) furan,
- or benzofused analogs of (1) to (3) above.

 $\label{eq:Another embodiment} Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula II:$ 

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

X is a bond;

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 $R^{\mbox{\it 8}}$  and  $R^{\mbox{\it 10}}$  are each independently selected from the group consisting

of:

- (1) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, optionally substituted with hydroxy,
- (2) C2-6alkenyl,

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- (3) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
- (4) C3-6cycloalkyl,
- (5) phenyl
- (6) naphthyl,
- (7) benzyl,

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- (8) phenethyl and
- (9) pyridine, thiophene or furan, or benzofused analogs thereof,

and R<sup>8</sup> is additionally selected from hydrogen,

wherein items (5), (6) and (9) above and aryl portion of items (7) and (8) above and are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:

(a) halo,

- (b) hydroxy,
- (c) methoxy,
- (d) C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl,
- (e) trifluoromethyl,
- (f) phenoxy,
- (g) benzyloxy, optionally substituted with methoxy, and
- (h) CN;

each R<sup>11</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of:

(1) halo,

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- (2) methyl and
- (3) hydroxy; and

 $R^{14}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl.

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula II wherein  $R^8$  is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen or  $C_{1-}$  4alkyl.

Another embodiemnt of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula III:

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

n is 0 or 1, R8 is hydrogen or methyl, 5 R<sup>9</sup> is hydrogen or methyl or R8 and R9 may be joined together with the oxygen atom shown in Formula III to form a carbonyl group; 10 R<sup>10</sup> is selected from the group consisting of: phenyl, (1) (2) naphthyl, (3) pyridyl, 15 furyl or benzofuryl, (4) (5) thienyl or benzothienyl, or the S,S-dioxide thereof, (6) benzyl, quinoline, (7) (8) thiazolyl or benzothiazolyl, and phenylsulfonylmethyl or phenylsulfonylethyl, wherein 20 (9)groups (1) to (9) are optionally substituted with 1 to 3 substituents independently selected from the group consistingof: 25 halo, (a) trifluoromethyl, (b) trifluoromethoxy, (c) -N(R<sup>14</sup>), wherein each R<sup>14</sup> is indepedently hydrogen or (d) C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl, 30 (e) pyrrolyl, (f) methoxy, ethoxy or isopropoxy, each optionally

substituted with a substituent selected from: methoxy, benzyl, cyclopropylmethyl,

cyano, methylthio, methylsulfinyl and methylsulfonyl,

(g)

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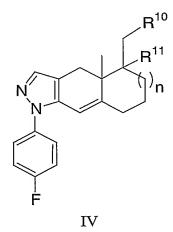
methyl,

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### (i) hydroxy, and

R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen or halo.

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a compound of Formula IV:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

n is 0 or 1,

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R<sup>10</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- (1)  $-CH(OR^{13})$ -aryl, wherein aryl is phenyl or napthyl,
  - (2)  $-CH(OR^{13})-HET$ , and
- $\label{eq:chords} \hbox{$-$CH(OR^{13})$-$C$_1-4alkyl or $-$CH(OR^{13})$-$C$_2-4alkenyl, said $-$CH(OR^{13})$-$C$_1-4alkyl or $-$CH(OR^{13})$-$C$_2-4alkenyl optionally substituted with phenylsulfonyl, $$.$}$

R<sup>13</sup> is hydrogen or methyl,

HET is selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) pyridyl,
- (2) furyl or benzofuryl,
  - (3) thienyl or benzothienyl, or the S,S-dioxide thereof,
  - (4) benzyl,

- (5) quinoline,
- (6) thiazolyl or benzothiazolyl,

said aryl or HET are optionally substituted with 1 to 3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) halo,
- (b) trifluoromethyl,
- (c) trifluoromethoxy,
- (d)  $-N(R^{14})$ , wherein each  $R^{14}$  is indepedently hydrogen or
  - (e) pyrrolyl,
- (f) methoxy, ethoxy or isopropoxy, each optionally substituted with a substituent selected from: methoxy, benzyl, cyclopropylmethyl, cyano, methylthio, methylsulfinyl and methylsulfonyl,
  - (g) methyl,
  - (h) vinyl and
  - (i) hydroxy, and
- 20 R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen or halo.

C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl,

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of Formula I in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a method for treating a glucocorticoid receptor mediated disease or condition in a mammalian patient in need of such treatment comprising administering the patient a compoud of Formula I in an amount that is effective for treating the glucocorticoid receptor mediated disease or condition.

Within this embodiment is encompassed the above method wherein the glucocorticoid receptor mediated disease or condition is selected from the group consisting of: tissue rejection, leukemias, lymphomas, Cushing's syndrome, acute adrenal insufficiency, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, rheumatic fever, polyarteritis nodosa, granulomatous polyarteritis, inhibition of myeloid cell lines, immune

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proliferation/apoptosis, HPA axis suppression and regulation, hypercortisolemia, stroke and spinal cord injury, hypercalcemia, hypergylcemia, acute adrenal insufficiency, chronic primary adrenal insufficiency, secondary adrenal insufficiency, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, cerebral edema, thrombocytopenia, Little's syndrome, obesity, metabolic syndrome, inflammatory bowel disease, systemic lupus erythematosus, polyartitis nodosa, Wegener's granulomatosis, giant cell arteritis, rheumatoid arthritis, juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, uveitis, hay fever, allergic rhinitis, urticaria, angioneurotic edema, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, asthma, tendonitis, bursitis, Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, autoimmune chronic active hepatitis, organ transplantation, hepatitis, cirrhosis, inflammatory scalp alopecia, panniculitis, psoriasis, discoid lupus erythematosus, inflamed cysts, atopic dermatitis, pyoderma gangrenosum, pemphigus vulgaris, buflous pemphigoid, systemic lupus erythematosus, dermatomyositis, herpes gestationis, eosinophilic fasciitis, relapsing polychondritis, inflammatory vasculitis, sarcoidosis, Sweet's disease, type I reactive leprosy, capillary hemangiomas, contact dermatitis, atopic dermatitis, lichen planus, exfoliative dermatitus, erythema nodosum, acne, hirsutism, toxic epidermal necrolysis, erythema multiform, cutaneous T-cell lymphoma, Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), cell apoptosis, cancer, Kaposi's sarcoma, retinitis pigmentosa, cognitive performance, memory and learning enhancement, depression, addiction, mood disorders, chronic fatigue syndrome, schizophrenia, sleep disorders, and anxiety.

Another embodiment of the invention encompasses a method of selectively modulating the activation, repression, agonism and antagonism effects of the glucocorticoid receptor in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal a compound of Formula I in an amount that is effective to modulate the glucocorticoid receptor.

The invention is exemplified by the compounds that follow.

The invention is described using the following definitions unless otherwise indicated.

The term "halogen" or "halo" includes F, Cl, Br, and I.

The term "alkyl" means linear or branched structures and combinations thereof, having the indicated number of carbon atoms. Thus, for example, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl includes methyl, ethyl, propyl, 2-propyl, s- and t-butyl, butyl, pentyl, hexyl, 1,1-dimethylethyl, cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl and cyclohexyl.

The term "alkoxy" means alkoxy groups of a straight, branched or cyclic configuration having the indicated number of carbon atoms. C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy, for example, includes methoxy, ethoxy, propoxy, isopropoxy, and the like.

The term "alkylthio" means alkylthio groups having the indicated number of carbon atoms of a straight, branched or cyclic configuration. C<sub>1</sub>-6alkylthio, for example, includes methylthio, propylthio, isopropylthio, and the like.

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The term "alkenyl" means linear or branched structures and combinations thereof, of the indicated number of carbon atoms, having at least one carbon-to-carbon double bond, wherein hydrogen may be replaced by an additional carbon-to-carbon double bond. C2-6alkenyl, for example, includes ethenyl, propenyl, 1-methylethenyl, butenyl and the like.

The term "alkynyl" means linear or branched structures and combinations thereof, of the indicated number of carbon atoms, having at least one carbon-to-carbon triple bond. C3-6alkynyl, for example, includes, propenyl, 1-methylethenyl, butenyl and the like.

The term "cycloalkyl" means mono-, bi- or tri-cyclic structures, optionally combined with linear or branched structures, the indicated number of carbon atoms. Examples of cycloalkyl groups include cyclopropyl, cyclopentyl, cycloheptyl, adamantyl, cyclododecylmethyl, 2-ethyl-1- bicyclo[4.4.0]decyl, and the like.

The term "aryl" is defined as a mono- or bi-cyclic aromatic ring system and includes, for example, phenyl, naphthyl, and the like.

The term "aralkyl" means an alkyl group as defined above of 1 to 6 carbon atoms with an aryl group as defined above substituted for one of the alkyl hydrogen atoms, for example, benzyl and the like.

The term "aryloxy" means an aryl group as defined above attached to a molecule by an oxygen atom (aryl-O) and includes, for example, phenoxy, naphthoxy and the like.

The term "aralkoxy" means an aralkyl group as defined above attached to a molecule by an oxygen atom (aralkyl-O) and includes, for example, benzyloxy, and the like.

The term "arylthio" is defined as an aryl group as defined above attached to a molecule by an sulfur atom (aryl-S) and includes, for example, thiophenyoxy, thionaphthoxy and the like.

The term "aroyl" means an aryl group as defined above attached to a molecule by an carbonyl group (aryl-C(O)-) and includes, for example, benzoyl, naphthoyl and the like.

The term "aroyloxy" means an aroyl group as defined above attached to a molecule by an oxygen atom (aroyl-O) and includes, for example, benzoyloxy or benzoxy, naphthoyloxy and the like.

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The term "HET" is defined as a 5- to 10-membered aromatic, partially aromatic or non-aromatic mono- or bicyclic ring, containing 1-4 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, and optionally substituted with 1-2 oxo groups. Preferably, "HET" is a 5- or 6-membered aromatic or non-aromatic monocyclic ring containing 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, for example, pyridine, pyrimidine, pyridazine, furan, thiophene, thiazole, oxazole, isooxazole and the like, or HET is a 9- or 10membered aromatic or partially aromatic bicyclic ring containing 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S, and N, for example, benzofuran, benzothiophene, indole, pyranopyrrole, benzopyran, quionoline, benzocyclohexyl, naphtyridine and the like. "HET" also includes the following: benzimidazolyl, benzofuranyl, benzopyrazolyl, benzotriazolyl, benzothiophenyl, benzoxazolyl, carbazolyl, carbolinyl, cinnolinyl, furanyl, imidazolyl, indolinyl, indolyl, indolazinyl, indazolyl, isobenzofuranyl, isoindolyl, isoquinolyl, isothiazolyl, isoxazolyl, naphthyridinyl, oxadiazolyl, oxazolyl, pyrazinyl, pyrazolyl, pyridopyridinyl, pyridazinyl, pyridyl, pyrimidyl, pyrrolyl, quinazolinyl, quinolyl, quinoxalinyl, thiadiazolyl, thiazolyl, thienyl, triazolyl, azetidinyl, 1,4-dioxanyl, hexahydroazepinyl, piperazinyl, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, thiomorpholinyl, dihydrobenzimidazolyl, dihydrobenzofuranyl, dihydrobenzothiophenyl, dihydrobenzoxazolyl, dihydrofuranyl, dihydroimidazolyl, dihydroindolyl, dihydroisooxazolyl, dihydroisothiazolyl, dihydrooxadiazolyl, dihydrooxazolyl, dihydropyrazinyl, dihydropyrazolyl, dihydropyridinyl, dihydropyrimidinyl, dihydropyrrolyl, dihydroquinolinyl, dihydrotetrazolyl, dihydrothiadiazolyl, dihydrothiazolyl, dihydrothienyl, dihydrotriazolyl, dihydroazetidinyl, methylenedioxybenzoyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, and tetrahydrothienyl.

For all of the above definitions, each reference to a group is independent of all other references to the same group when referred to in the Specification. For example, if both  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  are HET, the definitions of HET are independent of each other and  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  may be different HET groups, for example furan and thiophene.

The term "treating" encompasses not only treating a patient to relieve the patient of the signs and symptoms of the disease or condition but also prophylactically treating an asymptomatic patient to prevent the onset of the disease or condition or preventing, slowing or reversing the progression of the disease or condition. The term "amount effective for treating" is intended to mean that amount of a drug or pharmaceutical agent that will elicit the biological or medical response of a tissue, a system, animal or human that is being sought by a researcher, veterinarian, medical doctor or other clinician. The term also encompasses the amount of a pharmaceutical drug that will prevent or reduce the risk of occurrence of the biological or medical event that is sought to be prevented in a tissue, a system, animal or human by a researcher, veterinarian, medical doctor or other clinician.

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The following abbreviations have the indicated meanings:

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	AIBN	=	2.2'-azobisisobutyronitrile		
	B.P.	=	benzoyl peroxide		
15	Bn	=	benzyl		
	$CCl_4$	=	carbon tetrachloride		
	D	=	-O(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> O-		
	DAST	=	diethylamine sulfur trifluoride		
	DCC	=	dicyclohexyl carbodiimide		
20	DCI	=	1-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-ethyl		
		carbodiimide			
	DEAD	=	diethyl azodicarboxylate		
	DIBAL	=	diisobutyl aluminum hydride		
	DME	=	ethylene glycol dimethylether		
25	DMAP	=	4-(dimethylamino)pyridine		
	DMF	=	N,N-dimethylformamide		
	DMSO	=	dimethyl sulfoxide		
	Et <sub>3</sub> N	=	triethylamine		
	LDA	=	lithium diisopropylamide		
30	m-CPBA	=	metachloroperbenzoic acid		
	NBS	=	N-bromosuccinimide		
	NSAID	=	non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug		
	PCC	=	pyridinium chlorochromate		
	PDC	=	pyridinium dichromate		
35	Ph	=	phenyl		

	1,2-Ph	=	1,2-benzenediyl
	Pyr	=	pyridinediyl
	Qn	=	7-chloroquinolin-2-yl
	Rs	=	-CH2SCH2CH2Ph
5	r.t.	=	room temperature
	rac.	=	racemic
	THF	=	tetrahydrofuran
	THP	=	tetrahydropyran-2-yl
10	Alkyl group abbreviation	<u>ons</u>	
	Me	=	methyl
	Et	=	ethyl
	n-Pr	=	normal propyl
	i-Pr	=	isopropyl
15	n-Bu	=	normal butyl
	i-Bu	=	isobutyl
	s-Bu	=	secondary butyl
	t-Bu	=	tertiary butyl
	c-Pr	=	cyclopropyl
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	c-Pen	=	cyclopentyl
	c-Hex	=	cyclohexyl

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Some of the compounds described herein contain one or more asymmetric centers and may thus give rise to diastereomers and optical isomers. The present invention is meant to comprehend such possible diastereomers as well as their racemic and resolved, enantiomerically pure forms and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

Some of the compounds described herein contain olefinic double bonds, and unless specified otherwise, are meant to include both E and Z geometric isomers.

The pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention comprise a compound of Formula I as an active ingredient or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, thereof, and may also contain a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and optionally other therapeutic ingredients. The term "pharmaceutically acceptable salts" refers to

salts prepared from pharmaceutically acceptable non-toxic bases including inorganic bases and organic bases. Salts derived from inorganic bases include aluminum, ammonium, calcium, copper, ferric, ferrous, lithium, magnesium, manganic salts, manganous, potassium, sodium, zinc, and the like. Particularly preferred are the ammonium, calcium, magnesium, potassium, and sodium salts. Salts derived from pharmaceutically acceptable organic non-toxic bases include salts of primary, secondary, and tertiary amines, substituted amines including naturally occurring substituted amines, cyclic amines, and basic ion exchange resins, such as arginine, betaine, caffeine, choline, N,N'-dibenzylethylenediamine, diethylamine, 2-diethylaminoethanol, 2-dimethylaminoethanol, ethanolamine, ethylenediamine, N-ethyl-morpholine, N-ethylpiperidine, glucamine, glucosamine, histidine, hydrabamine, isopropylamine, lysine, methylglucamine, morpholine, piperazine, piperidine, polyamine resins, procaine, purines, theobromine, triethylamine, trimethylamine, tripropylamine, tromethamine, and the like.

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When the compound of the present invention is basic, salts may be prepared from pharmaceutically acceptable non-toxic acids, including inorganic and organic acids. Such acids include acetic, benzenesulfonic, benzoic, camphorsulfonic, citric, ethanesulfonic, fumaric, gluconic, glutamic, hydrobromic, hydrochloric, isethionic, lactic, maleic, malic, mandelic, methanesulfonic, mucic, nitric, pamoic, pantothenic, phosphoric, succinic, sulfuric, tartaric, p-toluenesulfonic acid, and the like. Particularly preferred are citric, hydrobromic, hydrochloric, maleic, phosphoric, sulfuric, and tartaric acids.

It will be understood that in the discussion of methods of treatment which follows, references to the compounds of Formula I are meant to also include the pharmaceutically acceptable salts.

The magnitude of prophylactic or therapeutic dose of a compound of Formula I will, of course, vary with the nature and the severity of the condition to be treated and with the particular compound of Formula I and its route of administration. It will also vary according to a variety of factors including the age, weight, general health, sex, diet, time of administration, rate of excretion, drug combination and response of the individual patient. In general, the daily dose from about 0.001 mg to about 100 mg per kg body weight of a mammal, preferably 0.01 mg to about 10 mg per kg. On the other hand, it may be necessary to use dosages outside these limits in some cases.

The amount of active ingredient that may be combined with the carrier materials to produce a single dosage form will vary depending upon the host treated and the particular mode of administration. For example, a formulation intended for oral administration to humans may contain from about 0.5 mg to about 5 g of active agent compounded with an appropriate and convenient amount of carrier material which may vary from about 5 to about 95 percent of the total composition. Dosage unit forms will generally contain from about 1 mg to about 2 g of an active ingredient, typically 25 mg, 50 mg, 100 mg, 200 mg, 300 mg, 400 mg, 500 mg, 600 mg, 800 mg, or 1000 mg.

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For the treatment of glucocorticoid receptor mediated diseases the compound of Formula I may be administered orally, topically, parenterally, by inhalation spray or rectally in dosage unit formulations containing conventional non-toxic pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, adjuvants and vehicles. The term parenteral as used herein includes subcutaneous, intravenous, intramuscular, intrasternal injection or infusion techniques. In addition to the treatment of warmblooded animals such as mice, rats, horses, cattle, sheep, dogs, cats, etc., the compound of the invention is effective in the treatment of humans.

The pharmaceutical compositions containing the active ingredient may be in a form suitable for oral use, for example, as tablets, troches, lozenges, solutions, aqueous or oily suspensions, dispersible powders or granules, emulsions, hard or soft capsules, syrups or elixirs. Compositions intended for oral use may be prepared according to any method known to the art for the manufacture of pharmaceutical compositions and such compositions may contain one or more agents selected from the group consisting of sweetening agents, flavouring agents, colouring agents and preserving agents in order to provide pharmaceutically elegant and palatable preparations. Tablets contain the active ingredient in admixture with non-toxic pharmaceutically acceptable excipients which are suitable for the manufacture of tablets. These excipients may be for example, inert diluents, such as calcium carbonate, sodium carbonate, lactose, calcium phosphate or sodium phosphate; granulating and disintegrating agents, for example, corn starch, or alginic acid; binding agents, for example starch, gelatin or acacia, and lubricating agents, for example, magnesium stearate, stearic acid or talc. The tablets may be uncoated or they may be coated by known techniques to delay disintegration and absorption in the gastrointestinal tract and thereby provide a sustained action over a longer period. For example, a time delay material such as glyceryl monostearate or glyceryl distearate

may be employed. They may also be coated by the technique described in the U.S. Patent 4,256,108; 4,166,452; and 4,265,874 to form osmotic therapeutic tablets for control release.

Formulations for oral use may also be presented as hard gelatin capsules wherein the active ingredient is mixed with an inert solid diluent, for example, calcium carbonate, calcium phosphate or kaolin, or as soft gelatin capsules wherein the active ingredients is mixed with water-miscible solvents such as propylene glycol, PEGs and ethanol, or an oil medium, for example peanut oil, liquid paraffin, or olive oil.

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Aqueous suspensions contain the active material in admixture with excipients suitable for the manufacture of aqueous suspensions. Such excipients are suspending agents, for example sodium carboxymethylcellulose, methylcellulose, hydroxypropyl methylcellulose, sodium alginate, polyvinylpyrrolidone, gum tragacanth and gum acacia; dispersing or wetting agents may be a naturally-occurring phosphatide, for example lecithin, or condensation products of an alkylene oxide with fatty acids, for example polyoxyethylene stearate, or condensation products of ethylene oxide with long chain aliphatic alcohols, for example heptadecaethyleneoxycetanol, or condensation products of ethylene oxide with partial esters derived from fatty acids and a hexitol such as polyoxyethylene sorbitol monooleate, or condensation products of ethylene oxide with partial esters derived from fatty acids and hexitol anhydrides, for example polyethylene sorbitan monooleate. The aqueous suspensions may also contain one or more preservatives, for example ethyl, or n-propyl, p-hydroxybenzoate, one or more colouring agents, one or more flavouring agents, and one or more sweetening agents, such as sucrose, saccharin or aspartame.

Oily suspensions may be formulated by suspending the active ingredient in a vegetable oil, for example arachis oil, olive oil, sesame oil or coconut oil, or in mineral oil such as liquid paraffin. The oily suspensions may contain a thickening agent, for example beeswax, hard paraffin or cetyl alcohol. Sweetening agents such as those set forth above, and flavouring agents may be added to provide a palatable oral preparation. These compositions may be preserved by the addition of an anti-oxidant such as ascorbic acid.

Dispersible powders and granules suitable for preparation of an aqueous suspension by the addition of water provide the active ingredient in admixture with a dispersing or wetting agent, suspending agent and one or more

preservatives. Suitable dispersing or wetting agents and suspending agents are exemplified by those already mentioned above. Additional excipients, for example sweetening, flavouring and colouring agents, may also be present.

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The pharmaceutical compositions of the invention may also be in the form of an oil-in-water emulsion. The oily phase may be a vegetable oil, for example olive oil or arachis oil, or a mineral oil, for example liquid paraffin or mixtures of these. Suitable emulsifying agents may be naturally-occurring phosphatides, for example soy bean, lecithin, and esters or partial esters derived from fatty acids and hexitol anhydrides, for example sorbitan monooleate, and condensation products of the said partial esters with ethylene oxide, for example polyoxyethylene sorbitan monooleate. The emulsions may also contain sweetening and flavouring agents.

Syrups and elixirs may be formulated with sweetening agents, for example glycerol, propylene glycol, sorbitol or sucrose. Such formulations may also contain a demulcent, a preservative and flavouring and colouring agents. The pharmaceutical compositions may be in the form of a sterile injectable aqueous or oleagenous suspension. This suspension may be formulated according to the known art using those suitable dispersing or wetting agents and suspending agents which have been mentioned above. The sterile injectable preparation may also be a sterile injectable solution or suspension in a non-toxic parenterally-acceptable diluent or solvent, for example as a solution in 1,3-butane diol. Among the acceptable vehicles and solvents that may be employed are water, Ringer's solution and isotonic sodium chloride solution. Cosolvents such as ethanol, propylene glycol or polyethylene glycols may also be used. In addition, sterile, fixed oils are conventionally employed as a solvent or suspending medium. For this purpose any bland fixed oil may be employed including synthetic mono- or diglycerides. In addition, fatty acids such as oleic acid find use in the preparation of injectables.

The compounds of Formula I may also be administered in the form of suppositories for rectal administration of the drug. These compositions can be prepared by mixing the drug with a suitable non-irritating excipient which is solid at ambient temperatures but liquid at the rectal temperature and will therefore melt in the rectum to release the drug. Such materials are cocoa butter and polyethylene glycols.

For topical use, creams, ointments, gels, solutions or suspensions, etc., containing a compound of Formula I are employed. (For purposes of this application, topical application shall include mouth washes and gargles.) Topical formulations

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may generally be comprised of a pharmaceutical carrier, cosolvent, emulsifier, penetration enhancer, preservative system, and emollient.

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The ability of the compounds of Formula I to selectively modulate glucocorticoid receptors makes them useful for treating, preventing or reversing the progression of a variety of inflammatory and autoimmune diseases and conditions. Thus, the compounds of the present invention are useful to treat, prevent or ameliorate the following diseases or conditions: inflammation, tissue rejection, auto-immunity, various malianancies, such as leukemias and lymphomas, Cushing's syndrome, acute adrenal insufficiency, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, rheumatic fever, polyarteritis nodosa, granulomatous polyarteritis, inhibition of myeloid cell lines, immune proliferation/apoptosis, HPA axis suppression and regulation, hypercortisolemia, stroke and spinal cord injury, hypercalcemia, hypergylcemia, acute adrenal insufficiency, chronic primary adrenal insufficiency, secondary adrenal insufficiency, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, cerebral edema, thrombocytopenia, Little's syndrome, obesity and metabolic syndrome.

The compounds of the present invention are also useful for treating, preventing or reversing the progression of disease states involving systemic inflammation such as inflammatory bowel disease, systemic lupus erythematosus, polyartitis nodosa, Wegener's granulomatosis, giant cell arteritis, rheumatoid arthritis, juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, uveitis, hay fever, allergic rhinitis, urticaria, angioneurotic edema, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, asthma, tendonitis, bursitis, Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, autoimmune chronic active hepatitis, organ transplantation, hepatitis, and cirrhosis.

The compounds of the present invention are useful for treating, preventing or reversing the progression of a variety of topical diseases such as inflammatory scalp alopecia, panniculitis, psoriasis, discoid lupus erythematosus, inflamed cysts, atopic dermatitis, pyoderma gangrenosum, pemphigus vulgaris, buflous pernphigoid, systemic lupus erythematosus, dermatomyositis, herpes gestationis, eosinophilic fasciitis, relapsing polychondritis, inflammatory vasculitis, sarcoidosis, Sweet's disease, type I reactive leprosy, capillary hemangiomas, contact dermatitis, atopic dermatitis, lichen planus, exfoliative dermatitus, erythema nodosum, acne, hirsutism, toxic epidermal necrolysis, erythema multiform, cutaneous T-cell lymphoma.

The compounds of the present invention are also useful in treating, preventing or reversing the progression of disease states associated with Human

Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), cell apoptosis, and cancer including, but not limited to, Kaposi's sarcoma, immune system activation and modulation, desensitization of inflammatory responses, IIL- I expression, natural killer cell development, lymphocytic leukemia, and treatment of retinitis pigmentosa. Cogitive and behavioral processes are also susceptible to glucocorticoid therapy where antagonists would potentially be useful in the treatment of processes such as cognitive performance, memory and learning enhancement, depression, addiction, mood disorders, chronic fatigue syndrome, schizophrenia, stroke, sleep disorders, and anxiety.

The invention also encompasses a method for treating a glucocorticoid receptor mediated disease comprising concomitantly administering to a patient in need of such treatment a compound of Formula I and one or additional more agents. For treating or preventing asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, the compounds of Formula I may be combined with one or more agents selected from the group consisting of: β-agonists (e.g., salmeterol), theophylline, anticholinergics (e.g., atropine and ipratropium bromide), cromolyn, nedocromil and leukotriene modifiers (e.g., montelukast). For treating or preventing inflammation, the compounds of Formula I may be combined with one or the following: a salicylate, including acetylsalicylic acid, a non-steroidal antiinflammatory drug, including indomethacin, sulindac, mefenamic, meclofenamic, tolfenamic, tolmetin, ketorolac, dicofenac, ibuprofen, naproxen, fenoprofen, ketoprofen, flurbiprofin and oxaprozin, a TNF inhibitor, including etanercept and infliximab, an IL-1 receptor antagonist, a cytotoxic or immunosuppressive drug, including methotrexate, leflunomide, azathioprine and cyclosporine, a gold compound, hydroxychloroquine or sulfasalazine, penicillamine, darbufelone, and a p38 kinase inhibitor. The compound of Formula I may also be used in combination with bisphonates such as alendronate to treat a glucocorticoid mediated disease and simultaneously inhibit osteoclast-mediated bone resorption.

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#### METHODS OF SYNTHESIS

Generally, compounds of the present invention may be synthesized by following the following synthetic scheme:

Acid, such as p-toluenesulfonic acid, is added to a solution of the Wieland-Miescher ketone i in ethylene glycol to give ketal ii. Ethyl formate and sodium hydride are added to ketal ii in an organic solvent such as anhydrous benzene to afford hydroxyketone iii. The hydroxyketone iii is dissolved in an appropriate acid such as glacial acetic acid and the appropriate hydrazine such as p-fluorophenylhyradzine hydrocloride and appropriate base such as sodium acetate is added to give pyrazole ketal iv. The pyrazole ketal iv is dissolved in an aprotic solvent such as THF and an aqeuous acid such as aqeuous 6N HCl is added to yield the ketone v.

Potassium bis(trimethylsilyl amide) is added to (methoxymethyl)triphenylphosponium chloride in an aprotic solvent such as THF. Ketone **v** is added to afford compound **vi**. R<sup>10</sup>-Li is added in an aprotic solvent such as THF at low temperature to yield the final product **vii**.

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Methods for making compounds of Formula I outside the scope of formula **vii** are easily discernible by those having ordinary skill in the art in view of the above method and the examples set for the below. See, for example, Syth.

Commun.,1994, vol. 24, pp. 279-292; Org. Syth., 1985, vol. 63, pp. 37-43; Org. Syth., 1985, vol. 63, pp. 26-36; and Setroids, 1963, vol. 2, p. 399.

The invention will now be illustrated by the following non-limiting examples in which, unless stated otherwise:

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- (i) all operations were carried out at room or ambient temperature, that is, at a temperature in the range 18-25°C,
- (ii) evaporation of solvent was carried out using a rotary evaporator under reduced pressure (600-4000 pascals: 4.5-30 mm. Hg) with a bath temperature of up to 60°C.,
- (iii) the course of reactions was followed by thin layer chromatography (TLC) and reaction times are given for illustration only;
- (iv) melting points are uncorrected and 'd' indicates decomposition; the melting points given are those obtained for the materials prepared as described; polymorphism may result in isolation of materials with different melting points in some preparations;
  - (v) the structure and purity of all final products were assured by at least one of the following techniques: TLC, mass spectrometry, nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectrometry or microanalytical data;
    - (vi) yields are given for illustration only;
  - (vii) when given, NMR data is in the form of delta ( $\delta$ ) values for major diagnostic protons, given in parts per million (ppm) relative to tetramethylsilane (TMS) as internal standard, determined at 500 MHz or 600 MHz using the indicated solvent; conventional abbreviations used for signal shape are: s. singlet; d. doublet; t. triplet; m. multiplet; br. broad; etc.: in addition "Ar" signifies an aromatic signal;
- (viii) chemical symbols have their usual meanings; the following abbreviations have also been used v (volume), w (weight), b.p. (boiling point), m.p. (melting point), L (litre(s)), mL (millilitres), g (gram(s)), mg (milligrams(s)), mol (moles), mmol (millimoles), eq (equivalent(s)).

### PREPARATIVE EXAMPLES

5 <u>KETONE A</u>

Step 1:

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4 Å molecular sieves (~5 g) and p-toluenesulfonic acid (5.34g, 28.05 mmol) were added to a solution of the Wieland-Miescher ketone (5 g, 28.05 mmol) in ethylene glycol (140 mL). After stirring at room temperature for 23 min., the reaction was poured slowly into a 2:1 mixture of ice water/sat. aqeuous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (150 mL). The reaction was extracted with EtOAc (4 x 100 mL) and the

combined organic layers were washed with brine (100 mL), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (0 to 40% EtOAc/hexanes) on silica gel to afford 5.77g (93%) of the ketal as a white solid. LCMS = 223; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>.  $^{1}$ H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  5.83 (br d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.43-3.94 (m, 4H), 2.49-2.40 (m, 3H), 2.39-2.27 (m, 2H), 1.95-1.88 (m, 1H), 1.84-1.78 (m, 1H), 1.76-1.64 (m, 3H), 1.37 (s, 3H).

Step 2:

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Ethyl formate (7.36 mL, 86.48 mmol) and sodium hydride (60% suspension in mineral oil; 3.46 g, 86.48 mmol) were added to a cooled solution (–40 °C) of the ketal in anhydrous benzene (200 mL). MeOH (450 μL) was added dropwise over 15 min. and the reaction allowed to warm to room temperature. After stirring for 3 h, the reaction was cooled to 0 °C and 50 mL H<sub>2</sub>O was added. The biphasic system was shaken and the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (3 x 50 mL). The combined aqueous layers were washed with diethyl ether (100 mL) and then acidified to pH 5.5-6 with sat. aqueous KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (5 x 200 mL). The combined extracts were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford 5.04 g (93%) of hydroxyketone product as an orange oil. LCMS = 251; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>.

Step 3:

The hydroxyketone (4.1 g, 16.4 mmol) was dissolved in glacial acetic acid (40mL) and *p*-fluorophenylhyradzine hydrocloride (2.8 g, 17.22 mmol) and sodium acetate (1.41 g, 17.22 mmol) were added. After stirring at room temperature for 2 h, the reaction was poured slowly into 10% NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (1 L) and extracted with EtOAc (6 x 500 mL). The combined extracts were washed with brine (500 mL), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography (10% EtOAc/hexanes) on silica gel to afford 2.26 g (41%) of the pyrazole ketal as an orange solid. LCMS = 421; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz): δ 7.47-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.18-7.16 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.16-7.14 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (br d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.11-4.01 (m, 4H), 3.20-3.16 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 2.54-2.51 (d, *J* = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.51-2.40 (m, 1H), 2.34-2.28 (m, 1H), 1.88-1.64 (m, 4H), 1.23 (s, 3H).

Step 4:

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The pyrazole ketal (2.26 g; 6.65 mmol) was dissolved in THF (65 mL) and 6N HCl (4.43 mL, 26.6 mL) was added. The reaction was heated at 65 °C for 3.5 h and then poured slowly into 10% NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (150 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (4 x 250 mL) and the combined extracts washed with brine (2 x 200 mL), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford 1.97 g (100%) of Ketone A as a brown oil. LCMS = 297; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.50 (s, 1H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.16 (m, 2H), 6.31 (br d, J = 2 Hz, 1 H), 2.96-2.88 (m, 2H), 2.72-2.62 (m, 2H), 2.59-2.53 (m, 2H), 2.14-2.08 (m, 1H), 1.75-1,64 (qt, J = 13.1 Hz, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 1.27 (s, 3H).

# ALDEHYDE B

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Step 1: Preparation of Aldehyde B

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A suspension of (methoxymethyl)triphenylphosponium chloride (4.17 g, 12.16 mmol) in THF (40 mL) was cooled to -40 °C. Potassium bis(trimethylsilyl amide) (20.3 mL of a 0.5 M solution in toluene, 10.15 mmol) was added dropwise by

syringe and the reaction was allowed to warm to 0 °C and held at that temperature for 15 min. A solution of ketone A (1.2 g, 4.05 mmol) in THF (12 mL) was added and the reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature. After stirring at room temperature for 24 h, 10 mL of a 1:1 solution of THF/MeOH was added to the reaction followed by 10 mL of 4 N HCl. The reaction became biphasic and stirring was continued at room temperature. After 36 h, the reaction was diluted with EtOAc (300 mL) and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine (50 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (5 to 25% EtOAc/hexanes) on silica gel to afford 939.7 mg (75%) of the product **B** as a tan solid; 8:1 ( $\beta$ : $\alpha$ ) mixture of aldehyde diastereomers. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.19 (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 311; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (major isomer) (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  9.91 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.16 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.17 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.32-2.45 (m, 3H), 1.87-1.98 (m, 2H), 1.75 (m, 1H), 1.43 (m, 1H), 1.12 (s, 3H).

Ketone C was prepared in the same manner as ketone A.

### ALDEHYDE F

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Step 1:

A suspension of methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (2.05 g, 5.75 mmol) in THF (25 mL) was cooled to -40 °C. Potassium bis(trimethylsilyl amide) (9.2 mL of a 0.5 M solution in toluene, 4.6 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe and the reaction was allowed to warm to 0 °C and held at that temperature for 15 minutes. Next, a solution of ketone C (323.7 mg, 1.15 mmol) in THF (5 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature. After stirring at room temperature for 2 hours, the reaction was filtered through a plug of silica gel with 50%EtOAc/hexanes. The filtrate was concentrated and the residue was purified by flash chromatography with 15% EtOAc/hexanes to afford 265.2 mg (83%) of D.  $R_f$  = 0.39 (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 281; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.46-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.13-7.17 (m, 2H), 6.19 (s, 1H), 4.95 (s, 1H), 4.86 (s, 1H), 2.81 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (m, 1H), 2.69 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.54-2.67 (m, 2H), 2.48 (m, 1H), 1.17 (s, 3H).

## Step 2:

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To a solution of **D** (265.2 mg, 0.947 mmol) in THF (17 mL) was added 9-BBN (5.7 mL of a 0.5 M solution in THF, 2.84 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1.5 hours and then cooled to 0 °C. EtOH (6.8 mL), 6N NaOH (2.25 mL) and 30%  $H_2O_2$  (1.2 mL) were added, the ice bath was removed, and the

reaction was heated to 50 °C for 1 hour. The reaction was then cooled to room temperature, diluted with EtOAc (100 mL), and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (50 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography with 60% EtOAc/hexanes to afford 282.2 mg (100%) of **E**. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.19 (55% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 299; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.46-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.13-7.16 (m, 2H), 6.14 (s, 1H), 3.81 (dd, J = 10.6, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (dd, J = 10.8, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (m, 1H), 2.47 (m, 1H), 2.10 (m, 1H), 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.58 (m, 1H), 0.97 (s, 3H).

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Step 3:

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To a solution of oxalyl chloride (46  $\mu$ L, 0.524 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) at –78 °C was added DMSO (75  $\mu$ L, 1.05 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL). The reaction was stirred at –78 °C for 5 minutes and then alcohol E (52.1 mg, 0.175 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) was added. The reaction was stirred for 15 minutes and then Et<sub>3</sub>N (295  $\mu$ L, 2.1 mmol) was added. The reaction was warmed to room temperature, stirred for 20 minutes, and diluted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic solution was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, brine, 1N HCl, saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (40% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 41.5 mg (80%) of F as a clear oil. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.27 (40% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 297; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  9.89 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.13-7.16 (m, 2H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 3.01 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.67-2.75 (m, 2H), 2.51 (m, 1H), 2.56 (m, 1H), 2.06 (m, 1H), 1.06 (s, 3H).

#### **EXAMPLES**

### **EXAMPLE 1**

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Step 1: Addition of Aryl Grignard Reagents to Aldehyde B

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Aldehyde **B** (42.7 mg, 0.138 mmol) was dissolved in THF (4 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. 4-fluorobenzyl magnesium chloride (5.5 mL of a 0.25 M solution in Et<sub>2</sub>O, 1.38 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h and then quenched with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (25 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (100 mL) and the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (25 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The major product was isolated by flash chromatography (5 to 25% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 40.6 mg (70%) of Example 1 as a single diastereomer.  $R_f = 0.11$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 421; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.42-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.13-7.20 (m, 4H), 7.02 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.09 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (br s, 1H), 2.85-2.90 (m, 2H), 2.68 (dd, J = 13.5, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.26-2.32 (m, 2H), 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.80 (m, 1H), 1.71 (qd, J = 13.0, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.56 (dd, J = 12.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (m, 1H), 1.12 (s, 3H).

The following compounds are synthesized following procedures analogous to that described in Example 1:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
2	HO N N	481
3	HO OCH <sub>3</sub> NO OCH <sub>3</sub>	449
4	1:1 mixture of E and Z isomers	353
5	mixture of E and Z isomers	367

6	HO	433
	OCH <sub>3</sub>	
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7	HO	417
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8	HO	459
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	NN OCH₃	
12	HO	421
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## EXAMPLE 32

## 5 Step 1: Addition of Aryl or Vinyl Lithium Reagents to Aldehyde **B**

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A solution of 1-bromo-4-fluorobenzene (176 μL, 1.6 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (16 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and *t*BuLi (1.9 mL of a 1.7 M solution in pentanes, 3.2 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min. and then aldehyde **B** (49.6 mg, 0.16 mmol) in THF (4 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 45 min. 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added at -78 °C and the reaction was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (100 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (25 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) gave 52.8 mg of Example 32 contaminated with minor

diastereomers. Further purification by chiral HPLC (AD column, 20% isopropyl alcohol/heptanes) gave 35.6 mg (55%) of pure Example **32**.  $R_f$ = 0.16 (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 407; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>.  $^1$ H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.45 (m, 4H), 7.32 (dd, J = 9.5, 5.0 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.12 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 3.18 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.28 (bd, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 1.82 (m, 1H), 1.66-1.71 (m, 2H), 1.58 (m, 1H), 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.20 (m, 1H).

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to that described in Example 32:

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Compou nd	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
33	HOH	407
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37	MeO	437
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38	но	390
	mHH	
	N <sub>N</sub>	
	F	

39	HO	445
	NN H	
	F F	
40	F HO	425
	NN HO	
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41	- HO CF <sub>3</sub>	457
	NN NH	
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42	HO	395
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43	но	415
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# Step 1: Oxidation to the ketone.

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A solution of **Example 32** (23.0 mg, 0.057 mmol) in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (2 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and NMO (10 mg, 0.085 mmol) was added. After 5 minutes, TPAP (2 mg, 0.0057 mmol) was added to the reaction. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 3 hours and then loaded directly onto a column of silica gel. Elution with 100%  $CH_2Cl_2$  followed by 25% EtOAc/hexanes afforded 19.2 mg (84%) of product **G**.  $R_f = 0.32$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 405;  $(M+1)^+$ .

Step 2: Reduction of ketone.

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Compound **G** (19.2 mg, 0.048 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (2 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. NaBH<sub>4</sub> (10 mg 0.238 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 15 min. and then quenched with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (5 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (30 mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (10 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (40% EtOAc/hexanes) followed by chiral HPLC to remove minor impurities (AD column, 12% IPA/hexanes) to give 12.6 mg (65%) of pure **Example 64**. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.16 (25% EtOAc/heptanes). LCMS = 407; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  7.45 (dd, J = 9.0, 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.32 (dd, J = 8.4, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.15 (s, 1H), 4.64 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 2.27-2.29 (m, 2H), 2.07 (bs, 1H), 1.89 (m, 1H), 1.68 (m, 1H), 1.05-1.25 (m, 2H), 1.13 (s, 3H).

The following examples were synthesized following a procedure analogous to that described in Example 64:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
nd		
65	HO,,,,,,H	390
66	HO,,,,H	369
67	HO,,,,H	408

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5 Step 1: Addition of Aryl Lithium to Aldehyde B.

A solution of O-triisopropylsilyloxy-3-bromobenzyl alcohol (230 mg, 0.67 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (6.5 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and t-BuLi (785  $\mu$ L of a 1.7 M solution in pentanes, 1.34 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 15 min. Aldehyde B (20.7 mg, 0.067 mmol) was added by cannula as a solution in THF (2 mL). The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min. 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added and the reaction was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (15 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (15 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, 5 to 15% EtOAc/hexanes) to give 32.4 mg of product containing 1 major and 2 minor diastereomers. Further purification by chiral HPLC (AD column, 15% IPA/heptanes) afforded 19.4 mg (51%) of pure **H** (major diastereomer).  $R_f = 0.22$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 575; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz): δ 7.45-7.48 (m, 3H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.13-7.17 (m, 2H), 6.11 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1.00 Hz)1H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 4.86 (s, 2H), 3.19 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.27 (br d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 1.63-1.82 (m, 5H), 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.15-1.22 (m, 3H), 1.10 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 18H).

Step 2: Desilyation of the Protected Alcohol or Phenol

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Example 69

Compound H (19.4 mg, 0.034 mmol) was dissolved in THF (3 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. TBAF (169  $\mu$ L of a 1 M solution it THF, 0.169 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 20 min. and then quenched with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (5 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (30 mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (10 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and

concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (75% EtOAc/hexanes) to give 12.9 mg (91%) of pure **Example 69**.  $R_f$  = 0.28 (75% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 419; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.50-7.53 (m, 3H), 7.34 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 7.25 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 5.12 (t, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.99-5.03 (m, 2H), 4.48 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.19 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.26-2.36 (m, 2H), 1.63-1.71 (m, 2H), 1.53 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 1.38 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.03 (m, 1H).

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The following examples were synthesized following a procedure analogous to that described in Example 69:

Compou nd	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
70		405
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73	HO F	405
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Step 1: Alkylation of Example 73.

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Example 73 (10.5 mg, 0.025 mmol) and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (32.4 mg, 0.100 mmol) were combined in a 10 mL flask and DMF (1 mL) was added. Allyl iodide (5  $\mu$ L, 0.055 mmol) was added and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. Next, the reaction was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O (5 mL) and the aqueous solution was extracted with EtOAc (25 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine (5 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (40% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 11.4 mg (99%) of Example 74. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.25 (40% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 463; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.44-7.47 (m, 3H), 7.16 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (dd, J = 11.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (m, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (m, 1H), 5.43 (dd, J = 17.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (dd, J = 10.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 4.63 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (m, 1H), 2.28 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 1.58-1.83 (m, 4H), 1.25 (s, 3H), 1.21 (m, 1H).

The following examples were synthesized following a procedure analogous to that described in Example 74:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
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75	HO HO	451
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77	HO HO	481

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#### **EXAMPLE 82**

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Aldehyde **B** (105.5 mg, 0.34 mmol) was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (8 mL) and *N*,*N*-diisopropylethylamine (1.42 mL, 8.16 mmol) was added followed by TESOTf (1.08 mL, 4.08 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 6 h, quenched with 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol and diluted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic solution was washed with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and brine (10 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (15% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford **I** which was used directly in the next reaction without further characterization.

I was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5 mL) and N-fluorobenzenesulfonimide (536 mg, 1.7 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 15 h and then concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (5 to 15% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 52.1 mg (47%) of two separable diastereomers, 19.5 mg (18%) of the less polar diastereomer J and 32.6 mg (29%) of the more polar diastereomer K.

Less polar diastereomer **J**:  $R_f = 0.24$  (50/42/8 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/TBME). LCMS = 329; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.88 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.14-7.18 (m, 2H), 6.25 (s, 1H), 2.89 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (m, 1H), 2.33 (br d, J = 14 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (m, 1H), 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.83 (m, 1H), 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.32 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 3H).

More polar diastereomer K:  $R_f = 0.21$  (50/42/8 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/TBME). LCMS = 329; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.91 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.45 (m, 3H), 7.16 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.27 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.44-2.52 (m, 2H), 2.39 (br d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (m, 1H), 1.76-1.90 (m, 2H), 1.30 (m, 1H), 1.18 (s, 3H).

Step 3:

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Fluoroaldehyde diastereomer J (17.6 mg, 0.054 mmol) was dissolved in THF (2mL) and cooled to -78 °C. BnMgCl (536 µL of a 1 M solution in Et<sub>2</sub>O, 0.536 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was warmed to 0 °C for 5 10 min and then quenched with isopropyl alcohol (500 µL) and poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (15 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (5 to 15% EtOAc/hexanes) to give 5.3 mg (24%) of a less polar diastereomer of Example 82 and 3.8 mg (17%) of a more polar diastereomer of Example 82.

Less polar diastereomer of Example 82:  $R_f = 0.40$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes, 2 elutions). LCMS = 421;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$ 7.41-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.31-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.12-7.16 (m, 2H), 6.14 (s, 1H), 4.21 (t, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (d, J = 13.3

15 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, J = 13.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (m, 1H), 2.30 (m, 1H), 2.16 (m, 1H), 1.97-2.12 (m, 2H), 1.81 (m, 1H), 1.26 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 3H).More polar diastereomer of Example 82:  $R_f = 0.37$  (25%)

EtOAc/hexanes, 2 elutions). LCMS = 421;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  $7.45 \text{ (dd, } J = 8.5, 4.8 \text{ Hz, 2H)}, 7.42 \text{ (s, 3H)}, 7.33 \text{ (t, } J = 7.4 \text{ Hz, 2H)}, 7.14-7.18 \text{ (m, } J = 7.4 \text{$ 

20 3H), 6.18 (s, 1H), 4.05 (dd, J = 21, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (d, J = 13.5 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (s, 2H), 2.78 (dd, J = 13.5, 10.4 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (m, 1H), 2.24 (m, 1H), 1.89-2.05 (m, 3H), 1.79 (br s, 1H), 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.35 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H).

The two other possible diastereomers of 82 were prepared in similar manner from the more polar fluoroaldehyde diastereomer K.

#### EXAMPLE 83 and 84

# 5 Step 1: Addition of Grignard Reagents to Fluoroaldehyde K

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Example 83 and 84

Fluoroaldehyde **K** (28.7 mg, 0.0875 mmol) was dissolved in THF (6 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. 4-fluorobenzyl magnesium bromide (218 μL of a 2.0 M solution in diethyl ether, 0.438 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hour and then quenched with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (40 mL) and the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (10 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 80% EtOAc/hexanes) yielded a mixture of 2 diastereomers. Further purification by PTLC (40/40/20 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/Et<sub>2</sub>O) afforded 18.4 mg (50%) of the less polar diastereomer and 11.1 mg (30%) of the more polar diastereomer.

Less Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.20$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 425;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.43 (m, 2H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (t, J = 9 Hz, 2H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 5.20 (s, 1H), 3.36 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (s, 1H), 2.77 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.47 (m, 1H), 2.29 (m, 1H), 2.15 (m, 1H), 1.82 (m, 1H), 1.57 (m, 2H), 1.33 (s, 3H).

More Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.20$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 425; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.43-7.36 (m, 5H), 7.13 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (t, J = 9 Hz, 2H), 6.18 (s, 1H), 4.93 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (m, 1H), 2.36 (m, 1H), 1.90 (m, 1H), 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.03 (s, 3H).

#### EXAMPLE 84 and 85

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Step 1: Addition of Aryl Lithium to Fluoroaldehyde K.

1) Aq. Na<sub>2</sub>CO3, then dry
2) tBuLi, Et<sub>2</sub>O, -78 °C, 20 min
3) + diastereomer (opposite stereochemistry at alcohol)
THF, -78 °C
Example 84 + 85

4-bromopyridine HCl (257.9 mg, 1.33 mmol) was dissolved in 5% Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (8 mL). The solution was then extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (12 mL) and the Et<sub>2</sub>O layer was dried over Mg<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was azeotroped with benzene (1 mL) and was then dissolved in Et<sub>2</sub>O (11.2 ml) and cooled to –78 °C. *t*-BuLi (527 μL of a 1.7 M solution in pentanes, 0.973 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at –78 °C for 20 minutes and then fluoroaldehyde K (29.0 mg, 0.088 mmol) in THF (3 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was stirred at –78 °C for 45 minutes. 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added at –78 °C and then the reaction was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (20 to 100% EtOAc/hexanes) yielded a mixture of 2 diastereomers. Further purification using an AD chiral column (25% IPA/ heptanes) afforded 19.1 mg (53%) of peak 1 and 4.8 mg (13%) of peak 2.

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Peak 1:  $R_f = 0.50 (100\% \text{ EtOAc})$ . LCMS = 408;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  8.42 (s, 2H), 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.16 (s, 1H), 3.37 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (m, 1H), 2.20 (m, 2H), 1.52 (m, 3H), 1.18 (s, 3H).

Peak 2:  $R_f = 0.50 (100\% \text{ EtOAc})$ . LCMS = 408;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  8.63 (s, 2H), 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.15 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.29 (s, 1H), 4.92 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (m, 2H), 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.12 (s, 3H).

The following compound was synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for fluoroaldehyde **K** and beginning from aldehyde **F**:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
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#### EXAMPLE 86

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Step 1: Addition of Aryl Lithium to Fluoroaldehyde L.

A solution of 3-Bromothianapthene (113.3 μL, 0.866 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (8 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and *t*-BuLi (1.01 mL of a 1.7 M solution in pentanes, 1.73 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 20

minutes and then fluoroaldehyde L (27.2 mg, 0.0866 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 45 minutes. 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added at -78 °C and then the reaction was poured into saturated

NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic

layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) followed by PTLC (20/40/40 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/Et<sub>2</sub>O) followed by an AD chiral column (25% IPA/heptanes)

afforded 1.6 mg (4%) of example **86**:  $R_f = 0.43$  (60% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 449; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.95 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.15 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 5.38 (dd, J = 5.4 Hz, 22.2 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (m, 2H), 2.04 (m, 1H), 1.73 (m, 1H), 1.36 (s, 3H).

#### EXAMPLE 87

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Aldehyde **B** (19.7 mg, 0.0635 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (2 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. NaBH<sub>4</sub> (12 mg, 0.317 mmol) was added and the reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min. 1 mL of saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl was added to quench the reaction, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (25 mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (10 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (5 to 30% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 13.2 mg (67%) of 87 as a white solid (9:1 ratio of diastereomers).  $R_f = 0.13$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 313; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (major diastereomer) (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.43-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.15 (t, J

= 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (dd, J = 10.5, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (dd, J = 10.0, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.30-2.42 (m, 2H), 2.02 (m, 1H), 1.89 (m, 1H), 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.34-1.45 (m, 2H), 0.95 (s, 3H).

EXAMPLE 88

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Example 22 (9.5 mg, 0.0236 mmol) was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) and PCC (15.2 mg, 0.0708 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1 hr and then diluted with hexanes (2 mL) and filtered through a plug of silica gel with 40% EtOAc/hexanes. The filtrate was concentrated and the residue was purified by preparatory thin layer chromatography (25%EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 5.0 mg (53%) of Example 88 as a white solid.  $R_f$  = 0.27 (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 401; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.42-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.22 (m, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (dd, J = 12.5, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.29 (m, 1H), 1.77-1.89 (m, 2H), 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.35 (m, 1H), 1.20 (s, 3H).

#### **EXAMPLE 89**

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Example **22** (165.9 mg, 0.412 mmol) was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. 2,6-lutidine (265  $\mu$ L, 2.27 mmol) and TBDMSOTf (142  $\mu$ L, 0.618 mmol) were added and the reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature. After stirring for 16 h, additional 2,6-lutidine (300  $\mu$ L, 2.58 mmol) and TBDMSOTf (300  $\mu$ L, 1.31 mmol) were added to the reaction. The reaction was stirred for an additional 3 h and then quenched with isopropyl alcohol (1 mL). The reaction was diluted with EtOAc (100 mL) and the organic solution was washed with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, brine, 1N HCl, saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine (25 mL of each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. Purification by flash chromatography (15% TBME/hexanes) gave 207.1 mg (97%) of compound M.  $R_f$  = 0.38 (15% EtOAc/hexanes). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.37-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.18 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.10-7.14 (m, 4H), 5.98 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (dd, J = 10.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (dd, J = 13.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.72 (dd, J = 13.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (m, 1H), 2.22

(bd, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 1.88 (m, 1H), 1.80 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.73 (m, 2H), 1.44 (dd, J = 10.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.28 (m, 1H), 1.02 (s, 3H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 0.21 (s, 3H), 0.19 (s, 3H).

Step 2:

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CrO<sub>3</sub> (550 mg, 5.5 mmol) was placed in a 50 mL roundbottom flask equipped with a stir bar, and 15 mL of dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added. The suspension was 10 cooled to -20 °C and 3,5-dimethylpyrrole (793 mg, 8.25 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred for 15 min. at -20 °C and compound M (142 mg, 0.275 mmol) was added by cannula in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (6mL). The reaction was stirred for 1.5 h while the temperature was maintained between -20 and -15 °C. The reaction was then diluted with 100 mL of 3:1 hexanes/Et<sub>2</sub>O and filtered through a plug of silica gel. The 15 filtrate was concentrated and the residue was purified by flash chromatography with 15% EtOAc/hexanes and then with 2% TBME/toluene to afford 20.8 mg (14%) of compound N.  $R_f = 0.29 (15\% \text{ EtOAc/hexanes})$ . LCMS = 531;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.39-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.13-7.21 (m, 5 H), 4.33 (dd, J = 10.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (dd, J = 13.0, 4.0 Hz, 20 1H), 2.70-2.79 (m, 3H), 2.32 (m, 1H), 2.01-2.07 (m, 1H), 1.85 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 1.75 (m, 1H), 1.11 (s, 3H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.24 (s, 3H), 0.20 (s, 3H).

Step 3:

5 Compound N (15.8 mg, 0.0298 mmol) was dissolved in THF (4.5 mL) and the solution was cooled to -78 °C and MeLi (42 µL of a 1.4 M solution in Et<sub>2</sub>O (0.0596 mmol)) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred for 15 min. at -78 °C and then quenched with isopropyl alcohol (100 µL). The cold solution was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL) and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with  $H_2O$  and brine (15 mL each), dried over 10 Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude residue (17.0 mg) was dissolved in toluene (2 mL) and p-toluenesulphonic acid monohydrate (5 mg, 0.0263 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 15 min. and then diluted with EtOAc (40 mL). The organic solution was washed with saturated 15 NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and brine (15 mL of each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (15% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 5.7 mg (36%) of compound  $\mathbf{O}$ .  $\mathbf{R}_f =$ 0.30 (15% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 529; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$ 7.40-7.43 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.18 (m, 5H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 5.88 (d, J =5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (dd, J = 10.3, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (dd, J = 13.0, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.70-20 2.75 (m, 2H), 2.61 (m, 1H), 2.25 (dt, J = 19.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 1.96 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H),1.76 (s, 3H), 1.73 (dd, J = 12.5, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 1.04 (s, 3H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 0.20 (s, 6H).

Step 4:

5 Compound O (5.7 mg, 0.0108 mmol) was dissolved in THF (3 mL) and TBAF (150 µL of a 1 M solution in THF, 0.15 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 3 h and then poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (15 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and 10 concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by preparatory thin layer chromatography (30% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 3.5 mg (78%) of Example 89.  $R_f =$ 0.39 (40% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 415;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$ 7.46-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.15-7.18(m, 2H), 6.22 (s, 1H), 5.92 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (m, 1H), 2.97 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H)15 1H), 2.86 (dd, J = 13.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (dd, J = 13.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (m, 1H), 2.48 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (dt, J = 18.7, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 1.89 (dd, J = 12.3, 4.3 Hz,1H), 1.83 (s, 3H), 1.14 (s, 3H).

# **EXAMPLE 90**

Step 1:

Ketone A (18.6 mg, 0.063 mmol) was dissolved in THF and cooled to 0 °C. BnMgCl (314 μL of a 1 M solution in THF, 0.314 mmol) was added and the reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hour. Saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (1 mL) was added to quench the reaction and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (40 mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (15 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 14.0 mg (57%) of Example **90**. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.21 (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 389; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 7.45-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.38 (s, 3H), 7.15-7.30 (m, 7H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 3.52 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (m, 1H), 2.20 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.61-1.75 (m, 3H), 1.46 (m, 1H), 1.37 (s, 3H).

### **EXAMPLE 91**

Step 1:

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A solution of *t*-BuLi (150  $\mu$ L of a 1.7 M solution in pentanes, 0.258 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (5 mL) was cooled to –78 °C and aldehyde **B** (16.0 mg, 0.0516 mmol) was added as a solution in THF (2 mL). The reaction was allowed to warm slowly to –20 °C and then cooled back to –78 °C. The reaction was quenched by the addition of isopropyl alcohol (1 mL) and then poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (40 mL), and the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (15 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 8.0 mg (42%) of **91**. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.24 (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 369; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.43-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (s, 1H), 2.83 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (m, 1H), 2.32 (br d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 1.59-1.86 (m, 3H), 1.41 (m, 1H), 1.07 (s, 3H), 0.96 (s, 9H).

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# EXAMPLE 92

Step 1:

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2-phenyl-1,3-dithiane (408 mg, 2.08 mmol) was dissolved in THF (8 mL) and cooled to -78 °C. n-BuLi (865 μL of a 1.6 M solution in hexanes, 1.38 mmol) was added and the reaction was warmed to 0 °C. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min. and then cooled back to -78 °C. A solution of aldehyde B (53.7 mg, 0.173 mmol) was added in THF (2 mL) by cannula. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 10 min. and then warmed to 0 °C and stirred at that temperature for 1 hour. The reaction was quenched with isopropyl alcohol (1 mL) and then poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (20 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL), and the organic layer layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (20 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (5 to 15% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 54.0 mg (62%) of **P**.  $R_f = 0.23$ (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 507; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  8.04 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.45 (m, 4H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (m, 2H)2H), 6.04 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (m, 1H), 2.64-2.75 (m, 5H), 2.17-2.30 (m, 3H), 1.92-1.96 (m, 2H), 1.58 (m, 1H), 1.37 (qd, J = 13.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 1.18 (m, 1H), 1.00(s, 3H), 0.90 (m, 1H).

Step 2:

To dithiane **P** (10.3 mg, 0.020 mmol) was added CH<sub>3</sub>CN (900  $\mu$ L), toluene (200  $\mu$ L), and H<sub>2</sub>O (100  $\mu$ L). The biphasic solution was stirred vigorously, and [bis(trifluoracetoxy)iodo]benzene (17.5 mg, 0.041 mmol) was added. After 15 min., an additional portion of [bis(trifluoracetoxy)iodo]benzene (25 mg, 0.058 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred for an additional 10 min. and then quenched with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (5 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (40 mL), and the organic layer was washed with brine (10 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by preparatory thin layer chromatography to yield 4.4 mg (52%) of **92**.  $R_f$  = 0.33 (25% EtOAc/hexanes, 2 elutions). LCMS = 417; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.90 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.63 (m, 3H), 7.42-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.13-7.17 (m, 2H), 6.08 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1H), 5.44 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (m, 1H), 2.22 (m, 1H), 1.90 (dd, J = 12.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 1.76 (m, 1H), 1.70 (dd, J = 12.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.10-1.18 (m, 2H).

Example 42 (50 mg, 0.13 mmol) was dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (8 mL) and NMO (22.8 mg, 0.195 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 5 min. and TPAP (4.5 mg, 0.013 mmol) was added. Stirring was continued at 0 °C for an additional 1 h. The reaction was diluted with hexanes (2 mL) and filtered through a plug of silica gel with 10% EtOAc/hexanes to afford 40 mg (80%) of Example 93 as a yellow oil.  $R_f = 0.35$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 393; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>.

Example 93 (20 mg, 0.051 mmol) was dissolved in diethyl ether (5 mL) and the solution was cooled to -78 °C. Phenyl lithium (300  $\mu$ L of a 1.8 M solution in Et<sub>2</sub>O (0.53 mmol)) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred for 1 h at -78 °C and then quenched with isopropyl alcohol (500  $\mu$ L). The cold solution was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL) and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (15 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by reverse-phase HPLC (20% AcCN/ H<sub>2</sub>O) to afford 16 mg (67%) of Example 94 as a single diastereomer. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.20 (30% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 471; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.61-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.32-7.11 (m, 9H), 7.03-7.02 (dd, J = 3.5, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (br s, 1H), 2.76 (dd, J = 3.4, 11.0 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.45-2.39 (m, 3H), 2.23 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.04 (s, 3H).

Example 93 (20 mg, 0.051 mmol) was dissolved in diethyl ether (5 mL) and the solution was cooled to -78 °C. Methyl lithium (760 µL of a 1.4 M solution in Et<sub>2</sub>O) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred for 3 h at -78 °C and then quenched with isopropyl alcohol (1 mL). The cold solution was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL) and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (15 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (30% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 8.8 mg (42%) of Example 95. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.60 (30% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 409; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.48-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.14 (m, 1H), 6.13 (br s, 1H), 3.29 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.39-2.28 (m, 2H), 2.08-2.05 (m, 2H), 1.71 (s, 3H), 1.66-1.57 (m, 4H), 1.28 (s, 3H).

Example 95 (6.2 mg, 0.015 mmol) was dissolved in dichloromethane (7 mL) and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. Boron trifluoride diethyl etherate (19  $\mu$ L, 0.15 mmol) and triethylsilane (24  $\mu$ L, 0.15 mmol) were added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred for 1 h at 0 °C and then quenched with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (2 mL). The solution was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL) and the mixture was

extracted with EtOAc (75 mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (15 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (20% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 3.5 mg (59%) of Example **96**. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.60 (15% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 393; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.47-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.24 (dd, J = 4.9, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17-7.14 (m, 3H), 6.13 (br s, 1H), 3.41-3.39 (dq, J = 7.3 Hz, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.32-2.23 (m, 2H), 1.89-1.84 (m, 2H), 1.71 (dt, J = 5.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 1.41-1.38 (m, 1H), (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 1.33-1.24 (m, 2H), 0.84 (s, 3H).

Example **35** and TPAP and NMO were processed as in Example **93** to provide the desired compound.  $R_f = 0.40$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 393;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.99-7.97 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.59 (m,1H), 7.52 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.19 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (br s, 1H), 3.73-3.70 (dd, J = 9.6 Hz, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.51-2.40 (m, 2H), 2.38-2.35 (m, 1H), 2.07-1.99 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.77 (m, 1H), 1.27 (s, 3H).

Example 97 and MeLi were processed as in Example 95 to provide the desired compound.  $R_f = 0.30$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 403; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.53-7.30 (m, 8H), 7.17-7.13 (m,2H), 6.11 (br s, 1H), 3.16-3.13 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.65-2.61 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 2.47-2.30 (m, 2H), 1.70 (s, 3H), 1.63-1.52 (m, 2H), 1.29 (s, 3H).

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for examples 93 and 95:

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Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
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99	P NH	405
100	F F N N H	405

101	F F	423
	N H	
102	HO	421
	N <sub>N</sub>	
	E	
103	но	421
	N H	
104	HO	439
	NN H	
	F	

#### EXAMPLE 105 and 106

Step 1: Addition of Grignard Reagents to Aldehyde F

Example 105 and 106

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Aldehyde **F** (16.7 mg, 0.0564 mmol) was dissolved in THF (3 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. 3-butenyl magnesium chloride (1.1 mL of a 0.5 M solution in THF, 0.564 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hour and then quenched with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (40 mL) and the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (10 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The two diastereomeric products were isolated by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 9.6 mg (48%) of the less polar diastereomer and 5.0 mg (25%) of the more polar diastereomer. Less Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.17$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 353; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.44-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.13 (s, 1H), 5.88 (m, 1H), 5.10 (dd, J = 17, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (m, 1H), 2.85 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (m, 1H), 2.57 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.42

(m, 1H), 2.29 (m, 1H), 2.20 (m, 1H), 2.05 (m, 1H), 1.81-1.91 (m, 2H), 1.72 (m, 1H), 1.60 (m, 1H), 1.00 (s, 3H).

More Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.12$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 353; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.45-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.13 (s, 1H), 5.88 (m, 1H), 5.09 (dd, J = 17, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (m, 1H), 3.13 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (m, 1H), 2.45 (m, 1H), 2.29 (m, 1H), 2.19 (m, 1H), 1.83-1.91 (m, 2H), 1.72 (m, 1H), 1.45-1.56 (m, 2H), 1.04 (s, 3H).

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The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for examples 105 and 106:

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108	F HO,,,,H	389

109	HO HO	423
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110	HO,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	423
111	HO HO	425
112	HO,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	425

113	HO	403
114	HO,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	403

# **EXAMPLE 115 and 116**

Step 1: Addition of Aryl Lithium Reagents to Aldehyde F

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A solution of 1-Bromo-4-fluorobenzene (85 μL, 0.777 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (8 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and tBuLi (914 μL of a 1.7 M solution in pentanes, 1.55 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 20 minutes and then aldehyde **F** (23.0 mg, 0.0777 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 45 minutes. 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added at -78 °C and then the reaction was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) yielded a mixture of 2 diastereomers. Further purification by PTLC (20/60/20 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/Et<sub>2</sub>O) afforded 13.8 mg (45%) of the less polar diastereomer and 9.0 mg (30%) of the more polar diastereomer.

Less Polar diastereomer (115):  $R_f = 0.42$  (20/60/20 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/Et<sub>2</sub>O). LCMS = 393; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.36-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.08-7.14 (m, 4H), 6.11 (s, 1H), 4.66 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (m, 1H), 2.45 (m, 1H), 2.22-2.32 (m, 2H), 2.09 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.71 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 1.00 (s, 3H).

More Polar diastereomer (116):  $R_f = 0.20$  (20/60/20 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/Et<sub>2</sub>O). LCMS = 393; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.45-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.33-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.03-7.06 (m, 2H), 6.14 (s, 1H), 4.64 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (d, J = 15.8

Hz, 1H), 2.53 (m, 1H), 2.33 (m, 1H), 2.17 (m, 1H), 1.93 (br s, 1H), 1.46 (m, 1H), 1.23 (m, 1H), 1.17 (s, 3H).

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to that described for Examples **115** and **116**:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
117	HO S	381
118	HO,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	381
119	HO S NN NN	431

124		425
	HO,,,	
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125	N N	376
	HO H	
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126	HO,,, N	376
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	N <sub>N</sub>	
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127	но	439
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128	HO,,,,,H	439
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129	HONN	443
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130	HO,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	443
131	HO NN	426

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135	HO	415
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## **EXAMPLE 137+138**

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Step 1: Addition of Lithium Reagents generated by deprotonation with BuLi to Aldehyde  ${\bf F}$ 

A solution of benzothiophene (403  $\mu$ L, 3.45 mmol) in THF (16 mL) was cooled to – 78 °C and nBuLi (1.73 mL of a 1.6 M solution in hexanes, 2.76 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was warmed to 0 °C for 15 minutes and then cooled back to –78 °C. Aldehyde F (68.1 mg, 0.230 mmol) in THF (4 mL) was added

- by cannula and the reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 45 minutes. 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added at -78 °C and then the reaction was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash
- chromatography (5 to 25% EtOAc/hexanes) gave the product as a mixture of diastereomers. The two diastereomers were separated by preparatory TLC in 40/40/20 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/hexanes/Et<sub>2</sub>O followed by preparatory TLC in 50/50/3 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeOH. 22.6 mg of 137 (23%) and 28.4 mg of 138 (29%) were isolated.
- 15 Characterization for **137**:  $R_f = 0.18$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 431;  $(M + 1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.87 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.44 (m, 4H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.14 (t, J = 2Hz, 1H), 5.07 (dd, J = 8.5, 3 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (dd, J = 19, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (m, 1H), 2.32-2.41(m, 3H), 2.07-2.10 (m, 2H), 1.98 (m, 1H), 1.08 (s, 3H).
- 20 Characterization for **138**:  $R_f = 0.18$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 431; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.84 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.14 (m, 2H), 6.16 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H) 5.02 (dd, J = 10.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (m, 1H), 2.34-2.44 (m, 2H), 2.11 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 1.55 (m, 1H), 1.19 (s, 3H).

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to that described for examples 137 and 138:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
nd		(112.2)
139	HO HO F	432
140	HO,,,,,H	432
141	O H Br	543
142	O S HO,,H Br	543

#### **EXAMPLE 143**

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Step 1: Addition of Lithium Reagents generated by deprotonation with BuLi to Aldehyde  ${\bf B}$ 

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A solution of thiophene (82  $\mu$ L, 1.021 mmol) in THF (8 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and nBuLi (510  $\mu$ L of a 1.6 M solution in hexanes, 0.816 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was warmed to 0 °C for 15 minutes and then cooled back to -78 °C. Aldehyde B (21.1 mg, 0.068 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added by cannula and the reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 45 minutes. 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added at -78 °C and then the reaction was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (5 to 15%

EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 20.5 mg (76%) of **143**.  $R_f = 0.18$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 395; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 7.44-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.22 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.17 (m, 2H), 6.99 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (s, 1H), 3.10 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.31 (m, 1H), 2.2 (br s, 1H), 1.91 (dd, J = 12.3, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.88 (m, 1H), 1.70-1.79 (m, 2H), 1.33 (m, 1H), 1.23 (s, 3H).

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to that described in Example 143:

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Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
nd	7.70	
144	HO MH	445
145	HO HO	413

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147	HO N	396

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for examples 93 and 95 and starting from example 115/116:

Compou nd	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
148	F NN NN NN NN NN NN NN NN NN NN NN NN NN	391

### EXAMPLE 150

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Step 1. Reduction of Ketone

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Example 88 (10.0 mg, 0.025 mmol) was dissolved in THF (1 mL) and MeOH (1 mL) was added. The solution was cooled to 0 °C and NaBH<sub>4</sub> (15 mg, 0.125 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 2 hours and then quenched with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (1 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (25 mL) and

the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (5 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by PTLC to afford 7.9 mg (79%) of alcohol as a 3:1 mixture of diastereomers favoring **150** over **22**. Further purification by chiral HPLC (OD column, 35% IPA/heptanes) gave 4.7 mg (47%) of pure **150** (slower eluting isomer). R<sub>f</sub> = 0.23 (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 403; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 7.45-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 7.14-7.17 (m, 2H), 6.14 (s, 1H), 4.02 (m, 1H), 3.22 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 3.03 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.71 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (dd, *J* = 13.1, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (m, 2H), 2.02 (m, 1H), 1.93 (m, 1H), 1.86 (dt, *J* = 12.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.39-1.55 (m, 2H), 1.14 (s, 3H).

### **EXAMPLE 151 and 152**

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Example 22 (21.3 mg, 0.053 mmol) was dissolved in THF (3 mL) and PtO<sub>2</sub> (6 mg) was added. The solution was placed under H<sub>2</sub> and stirred at room temperature. After 3 hours, the catalyst was filtered off and the filtrate was concentrated. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 7.7 mg (36%) of 151 as a white solid and 9.2 mg (43%) of 152 as a white solid.

151 (Less Polar diastereomer):  $R_f = 0.28$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 405; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.44-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (m, 4H), 4.22 (m, 1H), 2.92 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (dd, J = 13.3, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.72 (dd, J = 16.8, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (dd, J = 13.3, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (dd, J = 16.9, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (br s, 1H), 1.86 (m, 1H), 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.67-1.72 (m, 2H), 1.59 (m, 1H), 1.28-1.37 (m, 2H), 1.15 (s, 3H).

152 (More Polar diastereomer):  $R_f = 0.21$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 405; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.46-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 3H), 7.12-7.15 (m, 2H), 4.26 (m, 1H), 2.90 (dd, J = 13.3, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 2.74 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.72 (dd, J = 13.3, 5.5

Hz, 1H), 2.53 (dd, J = 16.3, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (dd, J = 16, 12 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 1.91 (m, 1H), 1.73 (m, 1H), 1.64 (m, 1H), 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.51 (m, 1H), 1.34-1.43 (m, 2H), 1.29 (m, 1H), 0.95 (s, 3H).

EXAMPLE 153

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### 10 Step 1. Cyclopropanation of the alkene

A solution of Et<sub>2</sub>Zn (410  $\mu$ L of a 1 M solution in hexanes, 0.41 mmol) in dichloroethane (1 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and CH<sub>2</sub>I<sub>2</sub> (66  $\mu$ L, 0.821 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred for 5 minutes and the formation of a white precipitate was observed. A solution of 43 (17.0 mg, 0.041 mmol) in dichloroethane (1 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 1 hour. After this period of time, the reaction was quenched with 1 N HCl (1 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, aq. NaHSO<sub>3</sub>, saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine (15 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 10.2 mg (58%) of 153.  $R_f$  = 0.14 (25%

EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 429; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>.  $^{1}$ H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.37-7.44 (m, 5H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.16 (m, 2H), 6.05 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (s, 1H), 2.79 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.19-2.31 (m, 3H), 1.83 (dd, J = 12.7, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.63 (m, 1H), 1.11-1.34 (m, 1H), 1.04 (s, 3H) 1.00 (m, 1H), 0.89 (m, 1H), 0.83 (m, 1H), 0.78 (m, 1H).

Example **154** was synthesized following procedures analogous to that described for Example **153**:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1)+
nd		
154	HO	381
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## **EXAMPLE 156**

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To a solution of aldehyde **B** (35.5 mg, 0.1145 mmol) in THF (200  $\mu$ L) was added tBuOH (200  $\mu$ L), 2-methyl-2-butene (200  $\mu$ L), and a solution of NaClO<sub>2</sub> (23 mg, 0.252 mmol) and NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (35 mg, 0.252 mmol) in H<sub>2</sub>O (250  $\mu$ L). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours and then partitioned between EtOAc and H<sub>2</sub>O (25 mL of each). The aqueous layer was acidified with 1N HCl and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 25 mL). All of the organic extracts were combined and washed with brine (25 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (40/60/1 EtOAc/hexanes/HOAc) to afford 33.3 mg (89%) of acid **155**. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.22 (40/60/1 EtOAc/hexanes/HOAc). LCMS = 327; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>.

Step 2. Coupling of carboxylic acid to amine

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To a solution of 155 (10.5 mg, 0.0322 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (0.5 mL) was added DIPEA (23  $\mu$ L, 0.129 mmol) and HATU (15 mg, 0.0387 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 5 minutes and then benzylamine (6  $\mu$ L, 0.0483 mmol) was added. After 30 minutes, the reaction was diluted with EtOAc (40 mL) and washed

with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, brine, 1 N HCl, saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine (10 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (20 to 60% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 9.4 mg (70%) of **156**. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.22 (40% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 416; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.41-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.38 (m, 6H), 7.12-7.16 (m, 2H), 6.11 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (t, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (m, 2H), 2.81 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (m, 1H), 2.29 (m, 1H), 2.25 (dd, J = 12.7, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.97 (qd, J = 13, 3.4 Hz, 1H) 1.89 (m, 1H), 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.37 (m, 1H), 1.19 (s, 3H).

Example **157** was synthesized following procedures analogous to that described for Example **156**:

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#### EXAMPLE 159

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To a 0 °C solution of 87 (35.4 mg, 0.113 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added pyridine (270 μL, 2.72 mmol) and MsCl (105 μL, 1.36 mmol). The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hour and then diluted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic solution was washed with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, 1 N HCl, and brine (10 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude residue was dissolved in DMPU (4 mL) and NaN<sub>3</sub> (37 mg, 0.565 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 3 days and then heated to 50 °C for 6 hours. The reaction was cooled to room temperature, diluted with EtOAc (50 mL), and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (10 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by flash chromatography (20% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 32.2 mg (84%) of 158.  $R_f = 0.38$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 338;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.43-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.13-7.17 (m, 2H), 6.14 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (dd, J = 12.1, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (dd, J = 12.0, 9.7 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.292.40 (m, 2H), 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.87 (m, 1H), 1.71 (m, 1H), 1.31-1.43 (m, 2H), 0.96 (s, 3H).

Step 2.

To a solution of **158** (3.8 mg, 0.0113 mmol) in THF (300  $\mu$ L) was added triphenylphosphine (10 mg, 0.0381 mmol) and water (20  $\mu$ L). The reaction was stirred at room temperature overnight, and then DIPEA was added (50  $\mu$ L). The reaction was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (30 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) and DIPEA (100  $\mu$ L, 0.574 mmol) and benzoyl chloride (20  $\mu$ L, 0.172 mmol) were added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 10 minutes, diluted with EtOAc (25 mL) and washed with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, brine, 1 N HCl, and brine (5 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (60% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 4.1 mg (88%) of **159**. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.35 (60% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 416; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.78 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.43-7.52 (m, 6H), 7.15 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.20 (s, 1H), 6.13 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (m, 1H), 3.32 (m, 1H), 3.07 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H) 2.40 (m, 1H), 2.32 (m, 1H), 1.88 (m, 2H), 1.76 (m, 1H), 1.32-1.50 (m, 2H), 1.05 (s, 3H).

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to that described for Example 159:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
nd	Wolcoura Structure	LCMS (M+1)
160	H N H O	380
161	HZ H H	430
162	NH O	394
163	H N H O N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N	382

#### **EXAMPLE 164**

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To a solution of **145** (7.4 mg, 0.018 mmol) in THF (1 mL) was added LAH (144  $\mu$ L of a 1 M solution in Et<sub>2</sub>O, 0.144 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 24 hours and then added slowly to a mixture of Et<sub>2</sub>O/1N HCl (10/1, 20 mL). The mixture was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (5 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 4.5 mg (61%) of **164**. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.17 (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 415; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.45-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (dd, J = 16.0, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H),

2.62 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.32 (m, 1H), 1.91 (m, 1H), 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.67-1.72 (m, 2H), 1.38 (m, 1H), 1.22 (s, 3H).

EXAMPLE 165

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To a solution of **145** (12.9 mg, 0.031 mmol) in hexanes/THF (3/1; 1.6 mL) was added Pd on CaCO<sub>3</sub> poisoned with lead (4 mg) and quinoline (15 μL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 minutes and then placed under H<sub>2</sub>. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours and then the catalyst was removed by filtration. The filtrate was diluted with EtOAc (35 mL), washed with 1 N HCl and brine (10 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

20 Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 7.3 mg (56%) of **165**.  $R_f$  = 0.17 (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 415; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 7.38-7.44 (m, 4H), 7.32-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.14

(t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.56 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.90 (dd, J = 11.7, 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.29-2.42 (m, 3H), 1.88-1.96 (m, 2H), 1.77 (qd, J = 9.6, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.62 (dd, J = 12.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 1.41 (m, 1H), 1.10 (s, 3H).

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### Example 166+167

10 Step 1: Addition of Lithium Phenyl Sulfone Reagent to Aldehyde F

A solution of methyl phenyl sulfone (285 mg, 1.83 mmol) in THF (16 mL) was cooled to 0°C and nBuLi (950 µL of a 1.6 M solution in hexanes, 1.52 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at 0°C for 1 hour and then it was further cooled to -78°C. Aldehyde F (45.1 mg, 0.152 mmol) in THF (4 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 45 minutes. 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added at -78 °C and then the reaction was poured into saturated

NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (25 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (10 to 50% EtOAc/hexanes) yielded a mixture of 2 diastereomers. Further purification by PTLC (20/40/40 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/Et<sub>2</sub>O) afforded 24.4 mg (35%) of the less polar diastereomer and 11.3 mg (16%) of the more polar diastereomer.

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Less Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.32$  (50% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 453; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  7.98 (d, J = 7.8Hz, 2H), 7.70 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 6.08 (s, 1H), 4.32 (m, 1H), 3.48 (s, 1H), 3.32 (m, 2H), 2.67 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (m, 1H), 2.51 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (s, 1H), 1.99 (m, 1H), 1.91 (m, 1H), 1.83 (m, 1H), 0.89 (s, 3H).

More Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.32$  (50% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 453; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  7.95 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (m, 1H), 7.61 (t, J = 9 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.13 (t, J = 9Hz, 2H), 6.11 (s, 1H), 4.26 (m, 1H), 3.27 (s, 2H), 3.15 (d, J = 19.2 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (d, J = 19.2 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (m, 1H), 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.15 (s, 1H), 1.98 (m, 1H), 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.42 (m, 1H), 1.03 (s, 3H).

Starting from the appropriate aldehyde, the following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for examples **166** and **167**:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
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168	O D D D D D D D D D D D D D D D D D D D	467

## Epoxide Q/R

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Step 1:

Trimethyl sulfoxonium iodide (240 mg, 1.09 mmol) was added as a solid to a suspension of sodium hydride (36.5 mg, 0.91 mmol of a 60% dispersion in mineral oil) in DMSO (2 mL). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 10 minutes. Aldehyde **F** (54.0 mg, 0.18 mmol) in THF (4 mL) was added by cannula. The

reaction was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. 1 mL of water was added and then the reaction was poured into saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (25 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 40% EtOAc/hexanes) yielded 8.8 mg (16%) of the less polar diastereomer and 11.2 mg (20%) of the more polar diastereomer.

Less Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.56$  (50% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 311; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  7.15 (m, 2H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 6.80 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 2.56 (m, 1H), 2.44 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (m, 1H), 2.24 (m, 1H), 2.18 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (m, 1H), 2.02 (m, 1H), 1.45 (m, 2H), 1.31 (m, 1H), 0.63 (s, 3H).

More Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.52$  (50% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 311; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  7.12 (m, 2H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 6.84 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 2.50 (m, 1H), 2.47 (s, 1H), 2.79 (m, 1H), 2.17 (m, 2H), 2.07 (m, 2H), 1.44 (m, 2H), 1.19 (m, 1H), 0.67 (s, 3H).

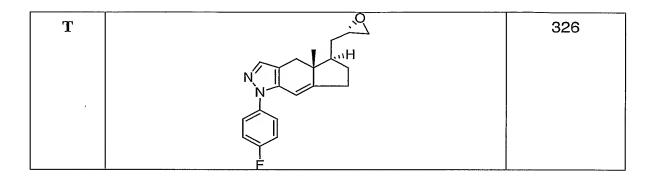
Starting from the appropriate aldehyde, the following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for **O/R**:

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# EXAMPLE 170 and 171

Step 1: Addition of Lithium Phenyl Sulfone Reagent to Epoxide R

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A solution of methyl phenyl sulfone (305 mg, 1.92 mmol) in THF (12 mL) was cooled to 0°C and nBuLi (1 mL of a 1.6 M solution in hexanes, 1.6 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min. and then cooled to -78 °C. Epoxide R (10 mg, 0.032 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 45 minutes. The reaction was warmed to room temperature and left at room temperature overnight. After stirring overnight at room temperature, 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added, and the reaction was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (25 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (10 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 100% EtOAc/hexanes) yielded a mixture of desired product and minor impurities. Further purification by PTLC (20/40/40 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/Et<sub>2</sub>O) afforded 4.9 mg (33%) of 170. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.17 (50%)EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 467;  $(M+1)^{+}$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  7.94 (d, J =7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.13 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.13 (s, 1H), 3.82 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.29 (m, 2H), 3.05 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (m, 1H), 2.45 (m, 1H), 2.12 (m, 1H), 1.83 (m, 4H), 1.64 (m, 1H), 1.83 (m, 4H), 1.83 (m, 4H), 1.64 (m, 1H), 1.83 (m, 4H), 1.83 (m, 4H),1H), 1.53 (m, 1H), 1.01 (s, 3H).

A solution of methyl phenyl sulfone (305 mg, 1.92 mmol) in THF (12 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and nBuLi (1 mL of a 1.6 M solution in hexanes, 1.6 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at 0°C for 30 min and then cooled to -78 °C. Epoxide **Q** (10 mg, 0.032 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added by

cannula. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 45 minutes. The reaction was warmed to room temperature and left at room temperature overnight. After stirring overnight at room temperature, 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added and the reaction was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (25 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (10 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 100% EtOAc/hexanes) yielded a mixture of desired product and some minor impurities. Further purification by PTLC (20/40/40 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/Et<sub>2</sub>O) afforded 3.2 mg of example 171 (21%). R<sub>f</sub> = 0.17 (50% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 467; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  7.96 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.12 (s, 1H), 3.87 (m, 1H), 3.34 (m, 2H), 2.75 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (m, 1H), 2.53 (d, J = 15.5Hz, 1H), 2.43 (m, 1H), 2.14 (m, 1H), 1.89 (m, 1H), 1.81 (m, 3H), 0.96 (s, 3H).

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Starting from the appropriate epoxide, the following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for examples 170 and 171:

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172	HO SI	481

# Example 174

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Step 1: Addition of 1,2 Phenylenediamine to aldehyde B.

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1,2 Phenylenediamine (10.5 mg, 0.097 mmol) and aldehyde **B** (15.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) were placed in a flask under nitrogen. Nitrobenzene (500  $\mu$ L) was added, and the reaction was heated to 150 °C. The reaction was stirred at 150 °C for 4 hours.

After cooling to room temperature, the reaction was loaded directyl onto silica gel and the column was eluted with 100% hexanes to remove the nitrobenzene, followed by 40 to 80% EtOAc/hexanes to afford a mixture of the desired product and some minor impurities. Further purification by PTLC (2/98 MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) gave 16.0 mg (84%) of example 174:  $R_f = 0.19$  (40% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 399; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.55 (s, 1H), 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.11 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 3H), 6.14 (s, 1H), 3.19 (m, 1H), 2.88 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (m, 2H), 2.21 (m, 2H), 1.94 (m, 2H), 1.44 (m, 1H), 1.21 (s, 3H).

Starting from the appropriate aldehyde, the following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for Benzimidazole 174:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
175	N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N	385
176		399

EXAMPLE 177 and 178

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Step 1. Addition of DAST to Example 119.

Diethylamino sulfur trifluoride

CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

0°C --> r.t.

+ diastereomer (opposite stereochemistry at the fluorine)

Example 177 and 178

In a plastic vial, a solution of Example 119 (38.2 mg, 0.089 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (500 μL) was cooled to 0 °C and diethylamino sulfur trifluoride (23.6 μL, 0.178mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 10 minutes and then was warmed to room temperature. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction was poured into saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with brine (15 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 20%)

EtOAc/hexanes) yielded a mixture of 2 diastereomers, which were separated using an OD chiral column (15% IPA/heptanes) to yield 4.6 mg (12%) of peak 1 and 6.9 mg (18%) of peak 2.

Peak 1:  $R_f = 0.39$  (40% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 433; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  8.00 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 7.15 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 5.81 (dd, J = 47.4 Hz, 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (dd, J = 15.9 Hz, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (m, 1H), 2.59 (m, 1H), 2.40 (m, 1H), 1.59 (m, 1H), 1.48 (m, 1H), 1.26 (s, 3H).

Peak 2:  $R_f = 0.44$  (40% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 433; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.92 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (m, 4H), 7.14 (t, J = 9 Hz, 2H), 6.14 (t, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.91 (dd, J = 46.8 Hz, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (m, 2H), 2.47 (m, 1H), 2.88 (dd, J = 38.7 Hz, 15 Hz, 2H), 2.17 (m, 1H), 1.21 (d, J = 6 Hz, 1H), 1.15 (s, 3H).

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## Aldehyde W

Step 1:

Trimethyl sulfoxonium iodide (334 mg, 1.52 mmol) was added as a solid to a suspension of sodium hydride (54 mg, 1.35 mmol of a 60% dispersion in mineral oil) in DMSO (4 mL). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 10 minutes. Ketone A (100 mg, 0.338 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was stirred at room temperature overnight. 1 mL of water was added and then the reaction was poured into saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (25 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 40% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 101.6 mg (97%) of U.  $R_f = 0.56$  (40% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 311; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>.

### Step 2:

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Trifluoroacetic acid (1.5 mL) was added to epoxide U (101.6 mg, 0.322 mmol). This reaction was stirred at room temperature for 20 minutes. The reaction was then poured into ice/H<sub>2</sub>O and neutralized with 10 % K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (20 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 40% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 59.1 mg (58%) of V. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.42 (50% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 311; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  7.29 (s, 1H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.51 (m, 2 H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 7.12 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.69 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (m, 2H), 1.96 (m, 1H), 1.75 (m, 2 H), 1.52 (m, 1H), 1.24 (m, 3H).

Step 3:

A solution of oxalyl chloride (75.4 µL, 0.86 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4 mL) was cooled to – 5 78 °C. DMSO (122.7 μL, 1.73 mmols) was added. This reaction was stirred at room temperature for 10 minutes. Alcohol V (53.6 mg, 0.173 mmol) was dissolved  $CH_2Cl_2$  (1 mL) and added to the reaction via cannula. This was stirred at  $-78^{\circ}C$  for 20 minutes. (482.0  $\mu$ L, 3.46 mmol) of triethyl amine was added at -78 °C and then 10 the reaction was warmed to room temperature. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (20 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water, 1N HCl, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and brine (15 mL each). concentrated in vacuo. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 50% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded 39.8 mg (75%) of W.  $R_f = 0.69$  (50% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 309;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz):  $\delta$  9.55 (s, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 15 7.66 (m, 2 H), 7.53 (s, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.23 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 2.97 (m, 2H), 2.19(m, 1H), 1.91 (m, 2 H), 1.74 (m, 1H), 1.54 (m, 3H).

The following compound was synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for Aldehyde W starting from ketone A:

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# **EXAMPLE 179 and 180**

Step 1: Addition of Grignard Reagent to Aldehyde W

Example **179** and **180** 

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Aldehyde W (38.2 mg, 0.121 mmol) was dissolved in THF (6 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. 4-fluorobenzyl magnesium bromide (310 μL of a 2.0 M solution in diethyl ether, 0.620 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hour and then quenched with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (40 mL) and the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (10 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 80% EtOAc/hexanes) yielded a mixture of 2 diastereomers, which were separated on an AD chiral column (30% IPA/heptanes) to afford 24.4 mg (49%) of peak 1 and 17.2 mg (34%) of peak 2.

Peak 1:  $R_f = 0.11$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 405; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  8.03 (s, 1H), 7.83 (s, 1H), 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.15 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 6.86 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.76 (s, 1H), 2.72 (m, 2H), 2.43 (s, 1H), 1.97 (s, 1H), 1.74 (m, 2H), 1.46 (m, 1H), 1.35 (s, 3H).

Peak 2:  $R_f = 0.11$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 405;  $(M+1)^+$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.95 (s, 1H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.86 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.95 (s, 1H), 2.78 (m, 2H), 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.97 (s, 1H), 1.72 (s, 1H), 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.11 (s, 3H).

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for Examples 179 and 180 and starting from Aldehyde X:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
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181	HO	405
	NN CH <sub>3</sub>	
	F	
182	HO,,, F	405
	NN CH <sub>3</sub>	
	F	

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## **EXAMPLE 183 and 184**

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Addition of Aryl Lithium to Aldehyde W

A solution of 3-bromothianapthene (162.2 μL, 1.24 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (16 mL) was cooled to –78 °C and *t*-BuLi (1.45 mL of a 1.7 M solution in pentanes, 2.48 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at –78 °C for 20 minutes and then aldehyde W (38.2 mg, 0.124 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was stirred at –78 °C for 45 minutes. 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added at –78 °C and the reaction was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) yielded a mixture of 2 diastereomers that were separated using an AD chiral column (25% IPA/ heptanes) to yield 3.8 mg (6.9%) of Peak 1 and 6.7 mg (12%). Peak 2:

Peak 1:  $R_f = 0.74$  (40% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 443; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  8.01 (s, 1H), 7.90 (s, 1H), 7.83 (m, 1H), 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 7.19 (m, 2H), 5.23 (s, 1H), 2.72 (m, 2H), 2.09 (s, 1H), 1.93 (s, 1H), 1.83 (m, 1H), 1.61 (m, 1H), 1.45 (s, 3H).

Peak 2:  $R_f = 0.74$  (40% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 443; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.90 (s, 1H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 7.07 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 2.73 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 2.17 (m, 1H), 1.93 (s, 1H), 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.48 (m, 1H), 1.38 (m, 1H), 1.21 (s, 3H).

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The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for Examples 183 and 184 and starting from aldehyde X:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
nd		
185	HO CH <sub>3</sub>	443
186	HO,,,,,CH <sub>3</sub>	443

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# ALDEHYDE Y

Step 1:

A suspension of (methoxymethyl)triphenylphosponium chloride (763 mg, 2.2 mmol) in THF (8 mL) was cooled to 0 °C. Potassium bis(trimethylsilyl amide) (3.6 mL of a 0.5 M solution in toluene, 1.78 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe and the reaction turned bright orange/red. Next, a solution of aldehyde **F** (132 mg, 0.44 mmol) in THF (4 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature. After stirring at room temperature for 2 hours, 4N HCl was added slowly and the reaction was left stirring for another hour. The reaction was then diluted with EtOAc (50 mL), quenched with NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL), and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (25 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (5 to 35% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 95.1 mg (69%) of **Y**.  $R_f = 0.29$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 311; (M + 1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz)  $\delta$  9.86 (t, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.13-7.16 (m, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 2.68 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (m, 2H), 2.55 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (m, 2H), 2.34 (m, 1H), 2.10 (m, 1H), 1.58 (m, 2H), 0.93 (s, 3H).

## ALDEHYDE Z

5 Aldehyde Z was synthesized from aldehyde B using the same procedure as was used in the synthesis of aldehyde Y.

## EXAMPLE 187 and 188

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Step 1: Addition of Grignard Reagent to Aldehyde Y

Aldehyde Y (53.0 mg, 0.17 mmol) was dissolved in THF (6 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. 3-butenyl magnesium chloride (1.7 mL of a 0.5 M solution in THF, 0.85 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hour and then 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added. The reaction was then poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (25mL) and extracted with EtOAc (40 mL). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine (25 mL each), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The two diastereomeric products were isolated by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 17.3 mg (28%) of the less polar diastereomer and 19.9 mg (32%) of the more polar diastereomer. Less Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.15$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 366; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.44-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 7.01(m, 1H), 5.73 (m, 1H), 4.95(m, 1H), 4.87 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.86 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 2H), 3.63 (m, 1H), 2.62 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.47 (m, 1H), 2.42 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.07 (m, 2H), 1.92 (m, 1H), 1.74 (m, 1H), 1.38-1.56 (m, 6H), 0.80 (s, 3H).

More Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.14$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 366; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.45 (m, 2H), 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.12 (m, 1H), 5.85 (m, 2H), 5.07(m, 1H), 4.99 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (m, 1H), 2.72 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (m, 1H), 2.51 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.51 (m, 1H), 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.19 (m, 2H), 2.07 (m, 2H), 1.61-1.39 (m, 6H), 0.90 (s, 3H).

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for examples 187 and 188:

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Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
nd		
189	OH NH	403
	F	

190	ŌH	403
	NN NH	
	F	
191	HO F	407
	F	
192	HQ F	407
	F	

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to those described for examples 187 and 188 and starting from aldehyde  $\mathbf{Z}$ :

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
nd		
193	OH OH	417
	F	

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198	HO	381
	N H	
	F	

## EXAMPLE 199 and 200

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Step 1: Addition of Aryl Lithium Reagents to Aldehyde Y

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A solution of 1-Bromothianapthene (259 μL, 1.98 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (8 mL) was cooled to –78 °C and t-BuLi (2.3 mL of a 1.7 M solution in pentanes, 3.95 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The reaction was stirred at –78 °C for 20 minutes and then aldehyde Y (61.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added by cannula. The reaction was stirred at –78 °C for 45 minutes. 1 mL of isopropyl alcohol was added at –78 °C and then the reaction was poured into saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (25 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water and brine (15 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography (5 to 20% EtOAc/hexanes) yielded a mixture of 2 diastereomers. Further purification by PTLC (40/40/20 hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/Et<sub>2</sub>O) afforded 34.7 mg of the less polar diastereomer contaminated with minor impurities and 28.2 mg (32%) of the more polar diastereomer. Final purification of the less polar diastereomer using an AD Chiral Column (35% isopropyl alcohol/heptanes) afforded 22.3 mg (25%) of the less polar diastereomer.

Less Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.21$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 445; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.86 (d, J = 8Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 7.5Hz, 1H), 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.02 (m, 2H), 6.00 (s, 1H), 5.09 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (d, J = 15Hz, 1H), 2.48 (m, 1H), 2.33 (d, J = 15Hz, 1H), 2.70(m, 1H), 2.13 (m, 1H), 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.87 (m, 1H), 1.73 (m, 1H), 1.52 (m, 1H), 1.18 (m, 1H), 0.86 (s, 3H).

More Polar diastereomer:  $R_f = 0.21$  (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 445; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.88 (t, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 7.34-7.45 (m, 6H), 7.13 (t, J = 6.25 Hz, 2H), 6.13 (s, 1H), 5.16 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (d, J = 12.5Hz, 1H), 2.59 (m, 1H), 2.54 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (m, 1H), 2.17 (m, 2H), 2.05 (m, 1H), 1.86 (m, 1H), 1.59 (m, 1H), 1.25 (m, 1H), 0.90 (s, 3H).

The following compounds were synthesized following procedures analogous to that described for Examples 199 and 200:

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Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1)+
nd		
201	OH N	408
202	OH NH NF	408

The following compounds were synthesized starting from aldehyde  $\bf Z$  and following procedures analogous to that described for Examples 199 and 200:

Compou	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
nd		
203	OH S	409

QH S	409
N <sub>N</sub> I	
OH S	459
NN H	
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\_\(\sigma\) \\\(\sigma\)	459
NN H	
	DH SH

# EXAMPLE 207

Step 1

Example **61** (4.3 mg, 0.01 mmol) was dissolved in EtOAc (0.5 mL) and 10% Pd on activated carbon (1.0 mg) was added. The reaction was placed under H<sub>2</sub> and stirred at room temperature for 45 minutes. The catalyst was removed by filtration. The filtrate was concentrated ,and the residue was purified by preparatory thin layer chromatography (25%EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 2.8 mg (65%) of Example **207**. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.15 (25% EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 435; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz)  $\delta$  7.45-7.47 (m, 3H), 7.12-7.17 (m, 4H), 6.98 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (s, 1H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 3.18 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.65-2.70 (m, 2H), 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.28 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 1.59-1.83 (m, 5H), 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H).

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## EXAMPLE 208

Step 1

Example 38 (11.6 mg, 0.03 mmol) was dissolved in EtOAc (2 mL) and NaH (10 mg, 0.42 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 5 minutes and then MeI (3 μL, 0.05 mmol) was added. After 15 minutes, the reaction was poured into water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (25 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated.

The residue was purified by preparatory thin layer chromatography (5% MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) to afford 10.0 mg (83%) of Example 208. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.18 (5% MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). LCMS = 404; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 8.59 (bs, 2H), 7.44-7.47 (m, 3H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.11 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (s, 1H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 3.17 (d, *J* = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (d, *J* = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (m, 1H), 2.25 (d, *J* = 14.5 Hz, 1H), 1.68-1.79 (m, 2H), 1.48-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.18 (s, 3H), 1.10 (m, 1H).

The following compound was synthesized starting from Example 32 and following a procedure analogous to that described for Examples 208:

Compou nd	Molecular structure	LCMS (M+1) <sup>+</sup>
209	F N N N N	421

#### EXAMPLE 210

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Step 1

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Example 81 (9.0 mg, 0.019 mmol) was dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (1 mL) and the solution was cooled to -40 °C. m-CPBA (6.4 mg, 0.037 mmol) was added and the reaction was stirred at -40 °C for 20 minutes. The reaction was then diluted with EtOAc (25 mL), washed with saturated aq. NaHSO<sub>3</sub>, saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine (10 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (100% EtOAc to 5% MeOH/EtOAc) to afford 7.2 mg (78%) of Example 210.  $R_f$  = 0.19 (EtOAc). LCMS = 499; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz)  $\delta$  7.43-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.14-

7.16 (m, 2H), 7.08 (dd, J = 8.4, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (m, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 5.05 (dd, J = 10.2, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.97 (dd, J = 10.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.72 (s, 3H), 2.26-2.42 (m, 2H), 1.64-1.83 (m, 3H), 1.51 (m, 1H), 1.24 (s, 3H), 1.18 (m, 1H).

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#### EXAMPLE 211

10 Step 1

Example 81 (6.0 mg, 0.012 mmol) was dissolved in THF (100  $\mu$ L) and MeOH (400  $\mu$ L) was added. The solution was cooled to 0 °C. Oxone (14 mg, 0.024 mmol) was dissolved in H<sub>2</sub>O (400  $\mu$ L) and this solution was added to the solution of 81. The reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 4 hours. The

reaction was then diluted with EtOAc (25 mL) and washed with water, saturated aq. NaHSO<sub>3</sub>, saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine (10 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The residue was purified by preparatory thin layer chromatography (60% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 1.6 mg (25%) of Example 211.  $R_f = 0.54$  (75%EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 515; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.45-7.48 (m, 3H), 7.01-7.26 (m, 4H), 7.02 (m, 1H), 6.12 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 5.02 (s, 3H), 3.18 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 3.07 (s, 3H), 2.74 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (m, 1H), 2.28 (m, 1H), 1.52-1.89 (m, 4H), 1.25 (s, 3H), 1.19 (m, 1H).

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Example 119 (11.0 mg, 0.026 mmol) was dissolved in THF (200  $\mu$ L) and MeOH (200  $\mu$ L) was added. The solution was cooled to 0 °C. Oxone (32 mg, 0.051 mmol) was dissolved in H<sub>2</sub>O (800  $\mu$ L) and this solution was added to the solution of 119. The reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 4

hours. At this point, additional oxone (32 mg, 0.051 mmol) was added as a solid. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for an additional 24 hours and then diluted with EtOAc (25 mL) and washed with water, saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine (10 mL each). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The residue was purified by preparatory thin layer chromatography (60% EtOAc/hexanes) to afford 2.5 mg (21%) of Example 212.  $R_f = 0.13$  (40%EtOAc/hexanes). LCMS = 463; (M+1)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  7.76 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.52-7.60 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.45 (m, 3H), 7.14 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 6.14 (s, 1H), 5.02 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.89 (d, J = 14.5 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (m, 1H), 2.55 (d, J = 15 Hz, 1H), 2.37-2.45 (m, 2H), 2.28 (m, 1H), 1.96-2.14 (m, 3H), 1.14 (s, 3H).

#### EXAMPLE 213

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Example 213 was prepared in the same manner as example 212, starting from example 120.

#### **BIOLOGICAL ASSAYS**

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The activity of the compounds of the present invention as modulators of the glucocorticoid receptor can be evaluated using the following assays:

#### Ligand Binding Assays

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For the hGR $\alpha$  ligand binding assay, cytosols were prepared from recombinant baculovirus expressed receptors. Frozen cell pellets were dounce homogenized in ice cold KPO4 buffer (10mM KPO4, 20mM sodium molybdate, 1mM EDTA, 5mM DTT and complete protease inhibitor tablets from Boehringer

Mannheim) with a "B" plunger. The homogenates were centrifuged at 35,000 x g for 1 h at 4°C in a JA-20 rotor. The IC50s were determined by incubating the cytosols at a final concentration of 2.5nM [1,2,4,6,7-³H] Dexamethasone in the presence of increasing concentrations (10-11 to 10-6) of cold dexamethasone or the ligands at 4°C for 24 h. Bound and free were separated by a gel filtration assay, (Geissler et al., personal communication). Half of the reaction was added to a gel filtration plate (MILLIPORE) containing sephadex G-25 beads that was previously equilibrated with KPO4 buffer containing 1mg/ml BSA and centrifuged at 1000 x g for 5 min. The reaction plate was centrifuged at 1000 x g for 5 min. and the reactions were collected in a second 96-well plate and scintillation cocktail was added and counted in (Wallac) double coincidence beta counter. The IC50s were calculated using a 4-parameter fit program.

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Compounds of the invention demonstrated an activity in the range of 0.1~nM to  $1~\mu\text{M}$  in the assay procedure described above.

#### WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

## 1. A compound represented by Formula I

$$(R^{12})_{0-2} \xrightarrow{R^8} X - R^{10}$$
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 
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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

n is 0, 1 or 2;

J is selected from  $NR^1$  or  $C(R^1)(R^2)$ ;

K is selected from  $NR^3$  or  $C(R^3)(R^4)$ ;

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L is selected from  $NR^5$  or  $C(R^5)(R^6)$ ;

X is a bond, 
$$-C(O)$$
,  $-N(R^{14})$ -,  $-N(R^{14})$ - $C(O)$ -, or  $-\frac{2}{5}$ 

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 $R^{1},\,R^{8}$  and  $R^{10}$  are each independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (2) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- (3) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
- 25 (4) C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl,
  - (5) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy,
  - (6)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
  - (7) aryl,
  - (8) aralkyl,

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(9)
                                HET,
                       (10)
                                -C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl-HET,
                                aryloxy,
                       (11)
                       (12)
                                aroyloxy,
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                       (13)
                                aralkenyl,
                       (14)
                                aralkynyl,
                                hydrogen,
                       (15)
                       (16)
                                hydroxy and
                                C_{1-6}alkyl-N(R^{14})-S(O)_{k-}, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
                       (17)
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      wherein items (1) to (6) above and the alkyl portions of items (8), (10) and (17) above
      and the alkenyl portion of item (13) above and the alkynyl portion of item (14) above
      are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable
      positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,
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      OR<sup>13</sup>, N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl-S(O)<sub>k</sub>- and aryl-S(O)<sub>k</sub>-, wherein k is 0, 1
      or 2, and
      wherein items (7), (9), (11) and (12) above and aryl portion of items (8), (13) and (14)
      above and the HET portion of item (10) above are optionally substituted from one up
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      to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently
      selected from the group consisting of:
                                        halo,
                                (a)
                                        OR 13.
                                (b)
                                        N(R^{14})_{2}
                                (c)
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                                        C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl,
                                (d)
                                (e)
                                        C<sub>2</sub>-6alkenyl,
                                        C3-6akynyl,
                                (f)
                                (g)
                                        C_{1-6}alkyl-S(O)_{k-}, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
                                (h)
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                                (i)
                                        aryl-S(O)_{k-}, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
                                (j)
                                        HET,
                                (k)
                                        aralkyl,
                                (1)
                                        aroyl,
                                (m)
                                        aryloxy,
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                                        aralkoxy and
                                (n)
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(o) CN,

wherein items (d) to (g) above and the alkyl portions of item (k) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $N(R^{14})_2$ , and

wherein items (h), (i), (j), (l) and (m) above and the aryl portions of items (k) and (n) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl,

or when X is a bond then R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> may be joined together to form a 4- to 8-membered monocylic ring, optionally containing 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and NR<sup>14</sup>, and optionally containing 1 or 2 double bonds;

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 $R^2$ ,  $R^3$ ,  $R^4$ ,  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  are each independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) hydrogen,
- (2) halo,
- 20 (3) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
  - (4) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
  - (5) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
  - (6) C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl,
  - (7) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy,
  - (8)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
    - (9) aryl,
    - (10) aralkyl,
    - (11) HET and
    - (12) -C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl-HET,

wherein items (3) to (8) above and the alkyl portions of items (10) and (12) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup>, N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl-S(O)<sub>k</sub>-, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2; and

wherein items (9) and (11) and the aryl portion of items (10) and the HET portion of item (12) are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:

5 (a) halo,

- (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,
- (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,
- (d) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (e) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- (f) C3-6akynyl and
- (g)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,

wherein items (d) to (g) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>,

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or  $\mathbb{R}^1$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3$  or  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathbb{R}^5$  may be joined together to form a double bond;

 $\ensuremath{R^7}$  is selected from the group consisting of:

- 20 (1) hydrogen,
  - (2)  $OR^{13}$ ,
  - (3) C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl,
  - (4) aryl and
  - (5) aralkyl,
- wherein item (3) above and the alkyl portion of item (5) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $N(R^{14})_2$ , and
- wherein item (4) above and the aryl portion of item (5) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) halo,
  - (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,

35 (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,

- (d)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,
- (e) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl and
- (f) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,

wherein items (d) to (f) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the
maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected
from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>;

Y is selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) hydrogen,
- 10 (2)  $-O-R^9$ ,
  - (3)  $-S(O)_k-R^9$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
  - (4) -C-W-R<sup>9</sup>, wherein W is O or  $S(O)_k$ ,
  - (5)  $-N(R^{15})2$ ,
  - (6)  $-S(O)_k-N(R^{15})_2$ ,
- 15  $(7) -N(R^{15})-S(O)k-N(R^{15})_2,$ 
  - (8) NO<sub>2</sub>,
  - (9)  $-C(O)-R^{15}$ ,
  - (10) -C(O)O-R<sup>15</sup>,
  - (11) -CN,
- 20 (12) halo and
  - (13)  $-O-S(O)k-R^{15}$ ,

R<sup>9</sup> is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C<sub>1-12</sub>alkyl and aryl, wherein C<sub>1-12</sub>alkyl and aryl are optionally substituted from one up to the
25 maximum number of substituents with halo, or when Y is OR<sup>9</sup> then R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> may be joined together to form a carbonyl group;

each  $R^{11}$  and  $R^{12}$  is independently selected from the group consisting

30 (1) halo,

of:

- (2) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (3) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- (4) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy and
- (5) hydroxy,

wherein items (2) to (4) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{12}$ ,  $N(R^{13})_2$  and  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2;

each  $R^{13}$  and  $R^{14}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl and  $C_{2-4}$ alkenyl, each of said  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl and  $C_{2-4}$ alkenyl optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy, aryl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2;

each R<sup>15</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl, aryl and C<sub>1</sub>-12alkoxycarbonyl, wherein said C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-12alkoxycarbonyl are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituable positions with halo and said aryl is optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituable positions with halo and C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups; and

20 HET is a 5- to 10-membered aromatic, partially aromatic or non-aromatic mono- or bicyclic ring, containing 1-4 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, and optionally substituted with 1-2 oxo groups.

2. A compound according to Claim 1 represented by Formula I

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$$(R^{12})_{0-2} R^{8} X - R^{10}$$
 $A B n$ 
 $(R^{11})_{0-3}$ 
 $I$ 

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

n is 0, 1 or 2;

J is selected from  $NR^1$  or  $C(R^1)(R^2)$ ;

5 K is selected from  $NR^3$  or  $C(R^3)(R^4)$ ;

L is selected from  $NR^5$  or  $C(R^5)(R^6)$ ;

X is a bond, 
$$-C(O)$$
,  $-N(R^{14})$ -,  $-N(R^{14})$ - $C(O)$ -, or  $-\frac{2}{5}$ 

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 ${\rm R}^{1}, {\rm R}^{8}$  and  ${\rm R}^{10}$  are each independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (1)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,
- (2) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- 15 (3) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
  - (4) C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl,
  - (5) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy,
  - (6)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
  - (7) aryl,
- 20 (8) aralkyl,
  - (9) HET,
  - (10) -C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl-HET,
  - (11) aryloxy,
  - (12) aroyloxy,
- 25 (13) aralkenyl,
  - (14) aralkynyl,
  - (15) hydrogen,
  - (16) hydroxy and
  - (17)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $N(R^{14})$ - $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,

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wherein items (1) to (6) above and the alkyl portions of items (8), (10) and (17) above and the alkenyl portion of item (13) above and the alkynyl portion of item (14) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable

positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$ ,  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl and  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2, and

wherein items (7), (9), (11) and (12) above and aryl portion of items (8), (13) and (14) above and the HET portion of item (10) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) halo,
- (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,
- (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,
- (d) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (e) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- (f) C3-6akynyl,
- (g)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
- 15 (h) ary

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- (i)  $aryl-S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
- (j) HET,
- (k) aralkyl,
- (l) aroyl,
- (m) aryloxy,
- (n) aralkoxy and
- (o) CN,

wherein items (d) to (g) above and the alkyl portions of item (k) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, and

wherein items (h), (i), (j), (l) and (m) above and the aryl portions of items (k) and (n) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl,

or when X is a bond then  $R^8$  and  $R^{10}$  may be joined together to form a 4- to 8-membered monocylic ring, optionally containing 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and  $NR^{14}$ , and optionally containing 1 or 2 double bonds;

R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> are each independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) hydrogen,
- 5 (2) halo,
  - (3)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,
  - (4) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
  - (5) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
  - (6) C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl,
- 10 (7) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy,
  - (8)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
  - (9) aryl,
  - (10) aralkyl,
  - (11) HET and
- 15 (12) -C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl-HET,

wherein items (3) to (8) above and the alkyl portions of items (10) and (12) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$ ,  $N(R^{14})_2$  and  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2; and

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wherein items (9) and (11) and the aryl portion of items (10) and the HET portion of item (12) are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:

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- (a) halo,
- (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,
- (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,
- (d) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (e) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,

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- (f) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl and
- (g)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,

wherein items (d) to (g) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>,

or R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> or R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> may be joined together to form a double bond;

R<sup>7</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

5 (1) hydrogen,

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- (2)  $OR^{13}$ ,
- (3)  $C_{1-4}alkyl$ ,
- (4) aryl and
- (5) aralkyl,
- wherein item (3) above and the alkyl portion of item (5) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $N(R^{14})_2$ , and
- wherein item (4) above and the aryl portion of item (5) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) halo,
  - (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,
  - (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,
  - (d) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
  - (e) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl and
  - (f) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,

wherein items (d) to (f) above are optionally substituted with from one up to the
maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected
from the group consisting of: halo, OR<sup>13</sup> and N(R<sup>14</sup>)<sub>2</sub>;

Y is selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) hydrogen,
- (2)  $-O-R^9$ ,
- (3)  $-S(O)_k-R^9$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
- (4) -C-W-R<sup>9</sup>, wherein W is O or  $S(O)_k$ ,
- (5) -N(R15)2,
- (6)  $-S(O)_k-N(R^{15})_2$ ,

(7)  $-N(R^{15})-S(O)k-N(R^{15})_2$ ,

- (8) NO<sub>2</sub>,
- (9)  $-C(O)-R^{15}$ ,
- (10) -C(O)O-R<sup>15</sup>,
- (11) -CN,
  - (12) halo and
  - (13)  $-O-S(O)_k-R^{15}$ ,

R<sup>9</sup> is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C<sub>1-12</sub>alkyl and aryl, wherein C<sub>1-12</sub>alkyl and aryl are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituents with halo, or when Y is OR<sup>9</sup> then R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> may be joined together to form a carbonyl group;

each  $R^{11}$  and  $R^{12}$  is independently selected from the group consisting

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- (1) halo,
- (2) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (3) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- (4) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy and
- 20 (5) hydroxy,

wherein items (2) to (4) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{12}$ ,  $N(R^{13})_2$  and  $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ -, wherein k is 0, 1 or

25 2;

each  $R^{13}$  and  $R^{14}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl, optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with halo; and

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each R<sup>15</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl, aryl and C<sub>1</sub>-12alkoxycarbonyl, wherein said C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-12alkoxycarbonyl are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substituable positions with halo and said aryl is optionally substituted from one up to

the maximum number of substituable positions with halo and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups.

5 3. The compound according to Claim 2 wherein:

J is NR<sup>1</sup>;

K is NR<sup>3</sup>;

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L is  $C(R^5)(R^6)$ ; and

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are joined together to form a double bond.

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- 4. The compound according to Claim 2 wherein the optional double bond shown in ring A of the compound of Formula I is present.
- 5. The compound according to Claim 2 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is aryl or
  HET, said aryl or HET optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) halo,
  - (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,
  - (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,
  - (d) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
  - (e) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
  - (f) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
  - (g)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,

(h) aryl

- (i)  $aryl-S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
- (j) HET,
- (k) aralkyl,
- (l) aroyl,

- (m) aryloxy,
- (n) aralkoxy and
- (o) CN,

wherein items (d) to (g) above and the alkyl portions of item (k) are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR13 and  $N(R14)_2$ , and

wherein items (h), (i), (j), (l) and (m) above and the aryl portions of items (k) and (n) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, OR13 and C1-4alkyl.

- 15 6. The compound according to Claim 5 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is phenyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups.
  - 7. The compound according to Claim 2 wherein Y is OR9.
- 20 8. The compound according to Claim 7 wherein R<sup>9</sup> is hydrogen.
  - 9. The compound according to Claim 2 wherein R<sup>7</sup> is methyl.
- 10. The compound according to Claim 2 wherein R<sup>8</sup> is hydrogen or 25 methyl.
  - 11. The compound according to Claim 2 wherein X is a bond.
- 12. The compoound according to Claim 2 wherein  $R^{10}$  is selected 30 from the group consisting of:
  - (1) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
  - (2)  $C_{2-6}$ alkenyl,
  - (3) C<sub>3-6</sub>akynyl,
  - (4) C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl,
- 35 (5)  $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy,

(6)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,

wherein items (1) to (6) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$ ,  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,  $C_{3\text{-}6}$ cycloalkyl and  $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_k$ ,

- 5 wherein k is 0, 1 or 2.
  - 13. The compound according to Claim 2 wherein  $\mathbb{R}^{10}$  is selected from the group consisting of:
    - (1) phenyl
- 10 (2) naphthyl,
  - (3) benzyl,
  - (4) phenethyl,
  - (5) phenoxy,
  - (6) benzoyl and
- 15 (7) benzoyloxy,

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wherein the aryl portions of items (1) to (7) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) halo,
- (b)  $OR^{13}$ ,
- (c)  $N(R^{14})_2$ ,
- (d) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl,
- (e) C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl,
- (f) C3-6akynyl,
- 25 (g)  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl- $S(O)_{k-}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,
  - (h) aryl,
  - (i)  $aryl-S(O)_{k}$ , wherein k is 0, 1 or 2,

- (j) HET,
- (k) aralkyl,
- (l) aroyl,
- (m) aryloxy,
- (n) aralkoxy and
- (o) CN,

wherein items (d) to (g) above and the alkyl portions of item (k) are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR^{13}$  and  $N(R^{14})_2$ , and

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wherein items (h), (i), (j), (l) and (m) above and the aryl portions of items (k) and (n) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $OR_{13}$  and  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl.

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- 14. The compound according to Claim 2 wherein R<sup>10</sup> is HET or -C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl-HET wherein HET is selected from the group consisting of:
  - (1) pyridine,
  - (2) thiophene and
  - (3) furan,

or benzofused analogs of (1) to (3) above.

15. A compound according to Claim 1 of Formula II:

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

X is a bond;

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of:

 ${\rm R}^{\rm 8}$  and  ${\rm R}^{\rm 10}$  are each independently selected from the group consisting

(1) C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, optionally substituted with hydroxy, C2-6alkenyl, (2) (3) C3-6akynyl, (4) C3-6cycloalkyl, 5 (5) phenyl (6) naphthyl, benzyl, (7) (8) phenethyl and pyridine, thiophene or furan, or benzofused analogs thereof, (9) 10 and R<sup>8</sup> is additionally selected from hydrogen, wherein items (5), (6) and (9) above and aryl portion of items (7) and (8) above are optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: 15 halo, (a) (b) hydroxy, methoxy, (c) C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl, (d) trifluoromethyl, 20 (e) phenoxy, (f) benzyloxy, optionally substituted with methoxy, and (g) (h) CN; each R<sup>11</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of: 25 (1)halo, methyl and (2) (3) hydroxy; and R14 is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen 30 and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl.

16. The compound according to Claim 15 wherein R<sup>8</sup> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl.

17. A compound according to Claim 1 selected from the group consisting of:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of any of the above.

18. A compound according to Claim 1 selected from one of the following tables:

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of any of the above.

19. A compound according to Claim 1 of Formula III:

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

5 n is 0 or 1,

R8 is hydrogen or methyl,

R<sup>9</sup> is hydrogen or methyl or

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 $R^8$  and  $R^9$  may be joined together with the oxygen atom shown in Formula III to form a carbonyl group;

R<sup>10</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- 15 (1) phenyl,
  - (2) naphthyl,
  - (3) pyridyl,
  - (4) furyl or benzofuryl,
  - (5) thienyl or benzothienyl, or the S,S-dioxide thereof,
- 20 (6) benzyl,
  - (7) quinoline,
  - (8) thiazolyl or benzothiazolyl, and
  - (9) phenylsulfonylmethyl or phenylsulfonylethyl, wherein
- groups (1) to (9) are optionally substituted with 1 to 3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) halo,
- (b) trifluoromethyl,
- (c) trifluoromethoxy,
- (d)  $-N(R^{14})$ , wherein each  $R^{14}$  is indepedently hydrogen or

C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl,

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- (e) pyrrolyl,
- (f) methoxy, ethoxy or isopropoxy, each optionally

substituted with a substituent selected from: methoxy, benzyl, cyclopropylmethyl,

- 10 cyano, methylthio, methylsulfinyl and methylsulfonyl,
  - (g) methyl,
  - (h) vinyl and
  - (i) hydroxy, and
- 15 R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen or halo.
  - 20. A compound according to Claim 1 of Formula IV:

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

n is 0 or 1,

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R<sup>10</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

(1)  $-CH(OR^{13})$ -aryl, wherein aryl is phenyl or napthyl,

-CH(OR<sup>13</sup>)-HET, and (2) (3) -CH(OR<sup>13</sup>)-C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl or -CH(OR<sup>13</sup>)-C<sub>2</sub>-4alkenyl, said -CH(OR<sup>13</sup>)-C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl or -H(OR<sup>13</sup>)-C<sub>2</sub>-4alkenyl optionally substituted with phenylsulfonyl, 5 R<sup>13</sup> is hydrogen or methyl, HET is selected from the group consisting of: (1) pyridyl, 10 furyl or benzofuryl, (2) (3) thienyl or benzothienyl, or the S,S-dioxide thereof, (4) benzyl, (5) quinoline, thiazolyl or benzothiazolyl, (6) 15 said aryl or HET are optionally substituted with 1 to 3 substituents independently selected from the group consistingof: (a) halo, 20 (b) trifluoromethyl, (c) trifluoromethoxy, -N(R<sup>14</sup>), wherein each R<sup>14</sup> is indepedently hydrogen or (d) C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl, (e) pyrrolyl, 25 (f) methoxy, ethoxy or isopropoxy, each optionally substituted with a substituent selected from: methoxy, benzyl, cyclopropylmethyl, cyano, methylthio, methylsulfinyl and methylsulfonyl, methyl, (g) (h) vinyl and 30 (i) hydroxy, and

R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen or halo.

21. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to Claim 1 in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

- 22. A method for treating a glucocorticoid receptor mediated disease or condition in a mammalian patient in need of such treatment comprising administering the patient a compound according to Claim 1 in an amount that is effective for treating the glucocorticoid receptor mediated disease or condition.
- 23. The method according to Claim 22 wherein the glucocorticoid 10 receptor mediated disease or condition is selected from the group consisting of: tissue rejection, leukemias, lymphomas, Cushing's syndrome, acute adrenal insufficiency, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, rheumatic fever, polyarteritis nodosa, granulomatous polyarteritis, inhibition of myeloid cell lines, immune proliferation/apoptosis, HPA axis suppression and regulation, hypercortisolemia, stroke and spinal cord injury, 15 hypercalcemia, hypergylcemia, acute adrenal insufficiency, chronic primary adrenal insufficiency, secondary adrenal insufficiency, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, cerebral edema, thrombocytopenia, Little's syndrome, obesity, metabolic syndrome, inflammatory bowel disease, systemic lupus erythematosus, polyartitis nodosa, Wegener's granulomatosis, giant cell arteritis, rheumatoid arthritis, juvenile 20 rheumatoid arthritis, uveitis, hay fever, allergic rhinitis, urticaria, angioneurotic edema, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, asthma, tendonitis, bursitis, Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, autoimmune chronic active hepatitis, organ transplantation, hepatitis, cirrhosis, inflammatory scalp alopecia, panniculitis, psoriasis, discoid lupus erythematosus, inflamed cysts, atopic dermatitis, pyoderma gangrenosum, pemphigus 25 vulgaris, buflous pernphigoid, systemic lupus erythematosus, dermatomyositis, herpes gestationis, eosinophilic fasciitis, relapsing polychondritis, inflammatory vasculitis, sarcoidosis, Sweet's disease, type I reactive leprosy, capillary hemangiomas, contact dermatitis, atopic dermatitis, lichen planus, exfoliative dermatitus, erythema nodosum, acne, hirsutism, toxic epidermal necrolysis, erythema multiform, cutaneous 30 T-cell lymphoma, Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), cell apoptosis, cancer, Kaposi's sarcoma, retinitis pigmentosa, cognitive performance, memory and learning enhancement, depression, addiction, mood disorders, chronic fatigue syndrome, schizophrenia, sleep disorders, and anxiety.

24. A method of selectively modulating the activation, repression, agonism and antagonism effects of the glucocorticoid receptor in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal a compound according to Claim 1 in an amount that is effective to modulate the glucocorticoid receptor.

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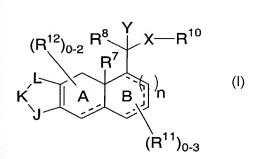
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(57) Abstract: The present invention encompasses compounds of Formula I: (I) or pharmaceutically acceptable salts or hydrates thereof, which are useful as selective glucocorticoid receptor ligands for treating a variety of autoimmune and inflammatory diseases or conditions. Pharamaceutical compositions and methods of use are also included.

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The inventions do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding technical features that defines a contribution over the prior art. The compounds claimed contain benzindazole moiety, which does not define a contribution over the prior art (as can be seen by the compound I of CAS:113:152403). Each of the inventions in this applications represent a discrete compound which one skilled in the art which beside sharing no structural element, cannot be said to belong to a recognized class of chemical compounds. Accordingly, the unity of invention is considered to be lacking and restriction of the invention in accordance with the rules of unity of invention is considered to be proper.				

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### BOX II. OBSERVATIONS WHERE UNITY OF INVENTION IS LACKING

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. In order for all inventions to be searched, the appropriate additional search fees must be paid.

- I Claims 1-24, in part, drawn to products of formula I, wherein K is NR3 and J is NR1, L is C(R5)(R6), and R1, R3, R5, and R6 are not HET or alkyl-HET; X, Y, R7, R8, R10, R11, and R12 are not HET or alkyl-HET; and their methods of use.
- II Claims 1-24, in part, drawn to products of formula I, wherein L is NR5 and J is NR1, K is C(R3)(R4), and R1, R3, R4, and R5 are not HET or alkyl-HET; X, Y, R7, R8, R10, R11, and R12 are not HET or alkyl-HET; and their methods of use.
- III Claims 1-24, in part, drawn to products of formula I, wherein K is NR3 and J is NR1, L is C(R5)(R6), and R1, R3, R5, and R6 are not HET or alkyl-HET; X, Y, R7, R11, and R12 are not HET or alkyl-HET; and R8 or R10 is thiazole; and their methods of use.
- IV Claims 1-24, in part, drawn to products of formula I, wherein K is NR3 and J is NR1, L is C(R5)(R6), and R1, R3, R5, and R6 are not HET or alkyl-HET; X, Y, R7, R11, and R12 are not HET or alkyl-HET; and R8 or R10 is pyridine; and their methods of use.
- V Claims 1-24, in part, drawn to products of formula I, and not embraced in Group I-IV; and their methods of use.

Claims 1-24 are drawn to more than one inventive concept (as defined by PCT Rule 13), and accordingly, a restriction is required according to the provision of PCT Rule 13.2.

PCT Rule 13.1 states that the international application shall relate to one invention only or to a group of inventions so linked as to form a single general inventive concept (requirement of unity of invention).

PCT Rule 13.2 state that unity of invention referred to in Rule 13.1 shall be fulfilled only when there is a technical relationship among those inventions involving one or more of the same or corresponding special technical features.

Annex. B, Part 1(b), provides that "special technical features" mean those technical features, which, as a whole, define a contribution over the prior art.

Annex B, Part I(e), provides combinations of different categories of claims and states:

"The method for determining unity of invention under Rule 13 shall be construed as permitting, in particular, the inclusion of any one of the following combinations of claims of different categories in the same international application:

- (I) in addition to an independent claim for a given product, an independent claim for a process specially adapted for the manufacture of the said product, and an independent claim for a use of the said product, or
- (II) in addition to an independent claim for a given process, an independent claim for an apparatus or means specifically designed for carrying out the said process, or
- (III) in addition to an independent claim for a given product, an independent claim for a process specially adapted for the manufacture of the said product, and an independent claim for an apparatus or means specifically designed for carrying out the said process..."

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.499, applicant is required, in response to this action, to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

Claims 1-24 are generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising for example, the compounds designated as (1) a compound 1, 2 diazole tricyclo ring system not having other heterocycle ring, (2) compound 1, 3 diazole tricyclo ring system not having orther heterocycle ring, (3) a compound 1, 2 diazole tricyclo ring system having another heterocycle ring thiazole, (4) a compound 1, 2 diazole tricyclo ring system having another heterocycle ring pyridine.

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